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Fierce Soviet Resistance to Nazi Thrust in Ukraine

London, Aug. 12.

THE midday communique from Moscow mentions fighting in two areas where the Germans claimed great victories a couple of days ago. The communique says :—"Last night our troops continued fighting with the enemy in the Kexholm, Solsti, Smolensk, Korosten and Uman directions. There were no largescale operations elsewhere.

"Our air force, in co-operation with the land forces, continued to inflict blows on the enemy's motorized and mechanized divisions on the battlefield and attacked his air force and aerodromes."

Korosten, 90 miles north-west of Kiev, is a town whose capture was claimed by the Germans two days ago, and Uman was the scene of a battle at about the same time, in which the Germans said that they had destroyed 25 Russian divisions.

Tank Column Routed

In connection with the fighting around Korosten, the Russian communique states that a great German tank column was routed with the help of aircraft, tanks, artillery and infantry. In all parts the attack is said to have been particularly effective.

There is no sign of any slackening in the enemy's desperate drive for Odessa, but in the opinion of Moscow, in contrast with the German claim that strong forces are only 40 miles from the Black Sea port of Nikolaev, it is considered possible that a small German armoured force is between 50 and 70 miles from the port.

German Communique

This afternoon's German High Command communique is content to say that operations on the eastern front are continuing favourably.

Russian Bombers, according to a midnight communique, have destroyed the great bridge over the Danube River carrying the railway line from Bucharest to Constanza. The bridge is about 2,500 feet long.—Reuter.

Heavy Fighting

Moscow, Aug. 12.

"During August 11 our troops continued fighting the enemy in the Soltsky, Smolensk, Belaya Tserkov and Uman directions and in the Estonian sector of the front," states a Soviet communique. "Our air force continued to inflict blows on enemy panzer troops and infantry, attacked his aircraft and aerodromes and bombed a large railway bridge at Chernovody on the Danube and ships at Constanza. The bridge was destroyed.

"On August 10, 39 enemy planes were destroyed. We lost 25 planes. According to precise information now available, during a German raid on Moscow on the night of August 10, six German planes were brought down and not five as previously reported.

Attempted Raid

"The other day between 60 and 70 German and Finnish planes attempted to carry out a mass raid on the Murmansk area. Detachments of enemy planes were intercepted by our fighters and fierce air combats ensued. With the very first, vigorous powerful onslaught our fliers broke up the enemy's battle formation and the centralized direction of the German and Finnish planes was lost. They were scattered into small groups.

"Our fliers proceeded to exterminate individual planes and groups of Fascist bombers. Strongly pressed by our fliers six German bombers attempted to withdraw, swiftly dived and fled southwestwards. Two Fascist planes pierced by bullets caught fire and like gigantic torches crashed [Reuter.

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Soviets Claim 14 Nazi Subs Sunk

Washington, Aug. 12.

The Soviet Embassy yesterday issued an information bulletin which quoted the Red Navy newspaper "Krasnyi Baltiyskiy Flot" as saying that in 44 days of the Russo-German war the Nazi navy lost 14 submarines in the eastern naval theatre.

The newspaper said that four of the submarines struck mines laid by Soviet ships, one foundered after a collision with a Bulgarian destroyer in the Black Sea, while others were sunk by the Soviet navy in action.

The article assumed that the German navy possessed 150 submarines and cited the alleged 10 per cent. loss as evidence the German U-boat fleet was not invincible.—United Press.

Canadian Army to Have Greatest Strength in History

London, Aug. 12.

The Canadian army will shortly have the greatest divisional strength in its history. Already its total strength, including troops at home and overseas, is about 220,000 men, and further volunteers are being recruited at the rate of about 7,000 a month.

The 1st and 2nd. Canadian Divisions have been in Britain for some time and part of the 3rd Division and other troops arrived recently in the largest convoy yet to leave Canada. The rest of this division and the 5th. Armoured Division are due to arrive during the next few months.

The 4th. Division is stationed in Canada and the 6th. Division is now being mobilized. It will be composed of three complete brigades, each of which will have a full complement of technical and other troops such as artillery, engineers, signals and army service corps.

During the last war Canada raised five divisions, but the 5th. Division was broken up for reinforcements.—Reuter.

Further Decrease in British Unemployment

London, Aug. 12.

Total registered unemployment in Great Britain on July 14 was: men and boys 113,662, women and girls 105,915, and of these 33,000 men and 3,000 women were classified as unsuitable for ordinary industrial employment.

These figures show a decrease of more than 24,000 unemployed as compared with the month of June. In fact, the labour market has now become so "tight" that even men approaching the age of 80 are finding demand for their services. So urgent are the demands for labour in the London area that an increase in the available labour "pool" has had to be made by transferring labour from one industry to another through the medium of industrial registration. As younger women are absorbed into war industries, older ones are taking their places in less vital jobs.—Reuter.

New Fighter for R.A.F.

New York, Aug. 12.

Production for the R.A.F. of the first of a large number of Kitty Hawk fighters is announced by Mr. Guy Vaughan, President of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation. The Kitty Hawk develops 100 more horsepower and 25 per cent. more fire power than its prototype the Tomahawk, which Mr. Vaughan said the Air Ministry had declared was most successful in combat.—Reuter.

Slight German Raid on Moscow

Moscow, Aug. 12.

A German raid on Moscow took place last night. The official Russian news agency in the early hours this morning announced: "A group of German planes attempted to raid Moscow.

"Enemy planes were scattered far from the city. Only isolated enemy planes succeeded in flying over Moscow and dropped high-explosive bombs. Several dwelling houses were demolished. No fires broke out. There were some casualties. One German aircraft was brought down."—Reuter.

Soviet Planes Again Raid Berlin

Moscow, Aug. 12.

For the third successive night Russian planes last night bombed Berlin, while German craft raided Moscow for the seventeenth time, it was officially announced today. — United Press.

Sunday's Raid

London, Aug. 12.

The Moscow radio in a broadcast heard here early today said that Soviet planes on Sunday night bombed military objectives in Berlin.

The raiders dropped incendiary bombs causing large fires and heavy explosions, said the communique, adding that one plane failed to return from the raid.

The Berlin radio went off the air at 11.30 p.m. London time yesterday (6.30 a.m. Shanghai time) indicating that a raid was in progress there.—United Press.

Successful Raid On Berlin

London, Aug. 12.

Many incendiary and high-explosive bombs were dropped on military targets when Berlin was bombed by Soviet planes on Sunday night, according to the Moscow radio. Large fires were observed from the bombers, all but one of which returned safely.

"Explaining" Soviet raids on Berlin, a German military spokesman on the German wireless yesterday said the Russian High Command knew it had no superiority in the air and that was why it was now carrying out propaganda flights in which bombs were dropped on Reich territory. Although only a few planes were sent Soviet propaganda tried to magnify the results of these attacks, which had no military value, the spokesman added.—Reuter.

Neutral Report

Stockholm, Aug. 12.

Despite an official German statement that raiding Russian bombers were turned back by anti-aircraft fire on Sunday night, they apparently reached some suburbs of Berlin.

According to the Berlin Correspondent of the Swedish paper "Aftonbladet," the noise of raiders was not heard in the centre of the capital but people in suburbs declared that the sound of the Russian machines was clearly different from that of British planes.—Reuter.

Nazi Bomber Makes Forced Landing

Ankara, Aug. 12.

It is disclosed in Ankara that a Junkers 88 bomber made a forced landing on the Turkish seashore near Fetuiye last Saturday, owing to a lack of petrol.

The crew of three threw papers, gunsights and other equipment into the sea. The men were uninjured and were interned. The plane is now half submerged.—Reuter.

Importance of Food As Weapon Stressed by Roosevelt

Washington, Aug. 12.

The importance of food as a major weapon is stressed by President Roosevelt in a letter to the Department of Agriculture in which the President declared that the United States needs food reserves to "meet emergencies which can as yet only be dimly foreseen".

He said that in this time of crisis "food is a weapon against Hitlerism just as much as munitions, and food will continue to be a weapon in all efforts toward ensuring a more orderly, prosperous and peaceful world".

The President declared:—"We need not only abundant production for ourselves but for other nations resisting aggression....the monstrous forces of Nazism have looted the world and are ravaging many lands. The first task is to beat down these forces and then repair the damage they have done to the best of our ability.

"In this process of rebuilding and rehabilitation, food will be essential", the President concluded.

The letter was in acknowledgement of a report on the Agricultural Department's programme devised to encourage the production of pork, dairy products, poultry and other foods.—Reuter.

Nazis Said Massing Barges on Danube

Ankara, Aug. 12.

Best informed military quarters believe that between 250 and 300 German barges, each capable of carrying about 400 men, plus a dozen U-boats which for several months have been lying at Constanza, soon will see action if the German troops who have penetrated southeast of Kiev can drive southwards toward the Black Sea and occupy Odessa and Nikolaiv.

Foreign military observers understand that the Russians are already withdrawing troops from Odessa to avoid encirclement.

If the German manœuvre succeeds, it was believed the Nazis would probably try to move barges towards Odessa whence, with sufficient aerial superiority, they might successfully land in the Crimea and take the great naval base of Sebastapol from the land side. Such a naval landing would have the advantage of avoiding the necessity of fighting across the narrow neck of land leading to the Crimea.—United Press.

Malays Join Up to Defend Own Country

Many Malays have recently been recruited for the defence of their country. They make splendid soldiers. The picture shows a party of recruits who have just passed out, celebrating that great event in a soldier's life.

U.S. Studies Repatriation Of Americans Here

Washington, Aug. 12.

MR. Condell Hull, Secretary of State, yesterday vigorously denied rumours that the United States had offered to make a deal with Japan on condition that Japan resigned from the Axis.

Simultaneously, the Secretary of State said that the State Department was studying the problem of repatriating United States nationals from the Far East, particularly destitute Americans in Shanghai.

Mr. Hull, during a press conference, also urged Congressional action to extend the service of selectees in the army beyond the one year period originally contemplated.

Rumours of a Washington offer to Japan were given prominence here by the well known column "Washington Merry-go-Round" which enumerated points of the reported offer which was said to have been transmitted to Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Ambassador, by Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State.

Mr. Hull emphatically denied the rumours and emphasized that the attitude of the United States toward Japan remained the same as in July, 1937, when the State Department, in a note to Tokyo, condemned Japanese moves as aggressive violation of treaty arrangements.

Coolidge Taking Some Away

Mr. Hull did not say whether a special ship would be sent to evacuate Americans in Shanghai who had no funds, but he told correspondents that the President Coolidge was taking on passengers in Shanghai today.

The Secretary of State said that the State department had been informed that some Americans in Shanghai did not have the funds to buy tickets and therefore, he was studying the situation.

During a press conference, Mr. Hull also said he had no information regarding a reported American move designed, it was alleged, to better relations with Tokyo, if Japan should abandon the Axis. He said that any such rapprochement would necessarily originate from creation of a peaceful order in the Orient, as outlined in the United States note sent to Japan in 1937.

Might See Duff Cooper

The Secretary of State indicated that he might confer with Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, former British Minister of Information, now on his way to Singapore, via the United States, to assume the role of British coordinator in the Orient. Mr. Duff-Cooper arrived in New York yesterday. The two men presumably would discuss the Far Eastern situation.

Mr. Hull declined to comment further concerning the Vichy situation with regard to Franco-German collaboration in Africa.

Mr. Hull said that if Congress declined to approve extension of the service terms of army men it would have an "exceedingly bad" psychological effect on the American position in the international situation.

Mr. Hull stressed that any such congressional action, beside impairing the Administration's prestige abroad, [United Press.

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More Japanese Leave N.E.I.

Batavia, Aug. 12.

Evidence of the increasing tension in the Pacific is found in the growing number of Japanese women and children recently evacuating from the Netherlands East Indies to Japan. Yesterday another party left the N.E.I. capital.

Regarding the evacuation of Japanese males, this has been so far limited to representatives of Japanese firms hit by the recent freezing measures.—Reuter.

100 Leave Singapore

Singapore, Aug. 12.

Owing to the increasing tension in the south Pacific, approximately 100 Japanese evacuees including members of the staffs of local Japanese firms women and children, left here yesterday by train for Bangkok, en route to Japan.—Domei.

British Evacuation

Singapore, Aug. 12.

There has been an evacuation of Britons from Sarawak and Borneo. A number of evacuees, including women and children, have already arrived here and more are expected. Hotel accommodation is at a premimum.

It is also reported that a number of evacuees from Saigon are expected.—Reuter.

Chinese Leave Saigon

Saigon, Aug. 12.

Approximately 300 Chinese residents will evacuate Saigon for Macao by a French steamer, it was learned. Domei.

War in Far East Not Expected

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Despite warnings to Japan by Sir Robert Craigie and Mr. Joseph Grew, respectively British and American Ambassadors, thus far there were no indications that the "serious situation" necessarily would mean war, a survey showed today.

Some diplomatic quarters, however, said that "another step" might be taken by Britain and the United States and this would constitute the withdrawal of consular representatives.

On this basis, Japan might consider it advisable to sacrifice consular representation in the British Empire and the United States in return for the control of Thailand which is important to Japan's efforts to piece the alleged Anglo-American encirclement movement.—United Press.

Indo-China War Risk Premiums Increase

Saigon, Aug. 12.

War risk insurance premiums to and from Indo-China increased from three to five per cent. and between Indo-China ports from two to three per cent.—United Press.

Important Developments Expected in Japan

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The British Ambassador to Japan, Sir Robert Craigie, called at the Foreign Office yesterday afternoon. With both Sir Robert and his United States colleague, Mr. Joseph C. Grew, in Tokyo, important developments are expected very shortly.—Reuter.

Britain a Year Ago — And Now

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Aug. 11.

The "Daily Express" today says: "Do you remember what happened a year ago today, August 11? Four hundred German planes swarmed over the English Channel to bomb Portland, Dover, and British shipping. They made the biggest air attack ever launched over this country up to that day. Sixty of them didn't get back. The R.A.F., fighting on the defensive, shot them down at the cost of 26 British planes, with two pilots safe.

"Do you know what happened yesterday, August 10? Swarms of R.A.F. fighters on the offensive flew across the Channel several times and went hunting for German planes over occupied France. They didn't see one. And only one German plane flew over Britain."

Heavy R.A.F. Raids on Nazi Industrial Areas

London, Aug. 12.

The R.A.F. attacked targets at Krefeld and Rheydt, near Dusseldorf, and Munchen-Gladbach, in western Germany, on Monday night, while the Red air force was bombing Berlin and north-eastern Germany.

Rhydt is the home of the Edelstein works, centre of special steel and ferro-alloy manufacture.

The R.A.F. night attack was followed by an impressive sweep across the English Channel this morning by squadrons of fighters escorting bombers, which returned intact within an hour, it is reported.

American-built Havoc fighters were busy over aerodromes in northern France during the night. They bombed buildings and runways and started fires.

Southern Italy received another visit from the R.A.F. in the Middle East, according to the Italian High Command communique. "They dropped a few bombs, causing civilian damage and casualties," it states.—Reuter.

Sicily Raided

Cairo, Aug. 12.

An attack by the Fleet Air Arm against a large merchantship at Syracuse, in Sicily, and activity by the Royal Air Force in North Africa are reported in last night's communique of the R.A.F. Command in the Middle East. It states:—

"Cyrenaica: On Saturday night Blenheims of the Royal Air Force attacked gun repair shops at Bardia, starting a number of large bright fires. Enemy landing grounds at Gazala were also bombed and machine-gunned. Yesterday (Sunday), Maryland bombers of the South African Air Force carried out attacks on enemy positions, motor vehicles and personnel in the neighbourhood of Bardia.

Barracks Hit

"Tripolitania: On Saturday, R.A.F. bombers demolished barracks and a block-house south of Misurata and also attacked enemy motor transport vehicles and petrol trailers in the same neighbourhood. All trailers were holed by machine-gun bullets and several lorries were overturned and destroyed. The formation then attacked two large ammunition and supply dumps at Buerat. The ammunition was exploded and personnel standing by were killed or wounded.

"Sicily: Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a large merchant vessel at Syracuse on Saturday. A quantity of bombs was also dropped at Augusta, one making a direct hit on a gasometer.

"From these operations, all our aircraft returned safely."—Reuter.

No Bombs Dropped On Britain

London, Aug. 12.

England had a bombless night last night.

An Air Ministry communique states: "One enemy aircraft flew for a short distance over the south-west coast last night. No bombs were dropped."—Reuter.

Darlan's Powers May Be Greatly Increased

Vichy, Aug. 12.

RESULTS of the discussions of the Vichy "big four,"—Admiral Darlan, General Weygand, Marshal Petain, and General Huntzinger—are expected to be published this afternoon, says the Vichy News Agency.

These discussions lasted three days. Before they ended General Weygand returned to North Africa.

One result is expected to be a strengthening of Admiral Darlan's powers so as to centre all military powers in him. Other measures are designed to secure the union of all Frenchmen under the leadership of Marshal Petain, who will broadcast a message this evening.

A number of decrees, apparently relating to questions of internal policy, will, it is believed, be issued in the "Journal Official."

Discussions between Vichy Ministers, which have followed closely upon each other since Saturday, were continued yesterday morning, states the official French news agency. They included an interview yesterday between General Charles Huntzinger, Minister of War, and General Maxime Weygand, delegate-general in North Africa. Other ministerial talks were going on at the same time.

The agency says "these discussions have given the impression of wide-scale consultations, of which a Cabinet council expected this afternoon (Monday) would appear to be the crowning point. They have been conducted in an atmosphere of complete calm presaging no crisis. No sign of nervousness has been perceptible."

In support of this, the agency mentions attendance of Marshal Philippe Petain, Admiral Francois Darlan (Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister) and other Ministers at theatrical and operatic performances.

Well-informed circles are reported as stating that any announcement of an important decision concerning foreign policy in the immediate future is out of the question. The agency also says that "contrary to certain allusions in the Paris press there would appear to have been no personal questions involved, the talks being directed to an effective understanding between all members of the Government, who gave their views on the many problems approached."—Reuter.

Weygand Leaves Vichy

London, Aug. 12.

Gen. Maxime Weygand, Delegate-General for North Africa, who has been having talks with Admiral Francois Darlan, Foreign Minister, and Marshal Petain in Vichy, left for Algiers yesterday afternoon, according to the Lyons radio. Gen. Weygand did not attend yesterday afternoon's Cabinet meeting. He left for Algiers before it started. When the Cabinet met with Marshal Petain presiding a report on the prospect of this season's harvest and the position regarding meat supplies was made by the Minister of Agriculture, says the radio. The rest of the meeting was devoted to current matters.—Reuter.

"Internal Matters"

Vichy, Aug. 12.

The Government late yesterday issued a belated communique that the Cabinet had acted on "internal matters."

The United Press learned that technical reorganization of the Government was one of the matters discussed at the Cabinet meeting. The reorganization may be announced later, it was said.—United Press.

Vichy Cabinet Changes

Berlin, Aug. 12.

The German radio reports from Vichy the French Cabinet changes, giving Admiral Darlan, the Vice-Premier, the post of Minister of Home Defence, General Huntzinger a change of title from War Minister —now abolished—to States Secretary for War Affairs, and M. Pierre Pucheux, former Under-Secretary of State for the Interior, the post of Home Minister

It is stated that the changes have not yet been officially confirmed, but the German radio says that Vichy political quarters attach particular importance to the last appointment.—Reuter.

Emperor Receives War Minister

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The Emperor today received in audience the War Minister, Lieutenant-General Hideki Tojo. They conferred for 90 minutes, during which Gen. Tojo presented reports on matters relating to his jurisdiction.—United Press.

U.S. Relations With Vichy Said Nearing Climax

Washington, Aug. 12.

American relations with Vichy are rapidly approaching a climax and a break in the very near future would be hardly surprising, according to well-informed circles here. Relations between the two Governments have been hanging by little more than a thread for some time, and have probably been maintained by Washington chiefly to provide the Administration with an important European listening post and also in the hope that American influence would to some extent offset German pressure on Vichy.

Nazi Influence

Information indicating increasing subservience of Vichy to Berlin continues to come to hand, however—the latest report being that the French have agreed to send French troops in Indo-China to the borders of Yunnan and Kwangsi Provinces to protect the Japanese flank in northern Indo-China against the Chinese.

It is reported here that this is being done by Vichy at German insistence. Additional indications of an approaching diplomatic break are the strong feelings among some high and influential officials here that the only realistic attitude in a Nazi-threatened world is that "those who are not for us are against us." And French actions scarcely argue that Vichy is leaning towards the Democratic cause.

Moreover the supine way in which the French handed Indo-China to the Japanese as a gift has evoked considerable disgust here, especially after French insistence that honour in Syria could only be saved by fighting the British.—Reuter.

U.S. Storing Food for Distressed Countries

New York, Aug. 12.

The United States Government has begun to accumulate huge stocks of foodstuffs which are to be rushed to Europe, China and other distressed areas, when the war ends, according to the Washington correspondent of the "New York Herald-Tribune."

Plans have been drafted to organize an "international granary" in the western hemisphere.

Surplus grains, fats are now being accumulated in Argentina, Canada and Australia, as well as in the United States.—Reuter.

"Japan Times" Minimizes Border Clashes

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Stressing that the Russo-Japanese border clashes were mere local incidents, the "Japan Times and Advertiser" today minimized the skirmishes.

The journal pointed out that the clashes certainly did not mean that Japan and Russia were preparing for major military operations against each other.—United Press.

Shipyards Offered To U.S. Navy

Washington, Aug. 12.

The Navy Department has been offered the Kearney Shipyards in New Jersey for "immediate possession and operation" by the Federal Ship Building and Drydock Company. Work at the Kearney, New Jersey yards is at a standstill following a strike of 18,000 employees which is variously reported as involving union representation, formation of a modified union shop and presentation of wage increase demands.

Orders for $493,000,000 worth of war and merchant shipping are in hand at these yards.—Reuter.

Nazis Striving Desperately to Find Weak Point in Russia

London, Aug. 12.

THE latest Russian communique suggests that the Germans are still pressing very strongly all along the Russian front which has buckled slightly at two points, at Soltsi southwest of Leningrad and in the south Ukraine.

German troops which have encountered almost inflexible opposition at Knorgsten and Belaya Tcherkov are spreading southwards in the hope of finding a weak spot and with a view to threatening Odessa. They do not seem to be getting much support from the Rumanians who are on their extreme right wing and much closer to Odessa.

Dents in the Russian line may be part of Marshal Budenney's elastic defence. But the Germans have avoided making any specific claim of territorial conquest and confine themselves to the usual indefinite claim that pursuit of retreating forces is making rapid progress everywhere.

"Attack"

Herr Hitler has never concealed the fact that the secret of his strategy is to attack, attack and again attack—never leaving the enemy any respite or time to recover his second wind but pressing ever onwards regardless of loss until success is achieved.

This policy has been pursued without variation in Poland, France, Yugoslavia, Greece and Crete. It is a variant of Napeolon's famous "de l'audace et toujours de l'audace." It failed, however, in the Battle for Britain which began just one year ago and continued without let or pause for over six weeks when at last the Luftwaffe gave up the struggle after trying its utmost to break down British resistance. In Russia it is coming up against the same indomitable spirit.

After seven weeks of fighting, continuous, unrelenting German pressure has forced back the Russian defence line along the whole 2,000 miles of front, but nowhere can the Germans claim a major victory and nowhere has Russian resistance wavered or shown signs of weakening.

Limit of Endurance

The question which naturally arises is how long will Herr Hitler's hard-pressed troops be able to continue pressure without showing signs of failure. There is a limit to the powers of human endurance and both sides must be near that limit.

The odds, however, are in favour of the Russians who are fighting for freedom and in defence of their homes. They are slowly falling back upon shortened lines of communication and increasing resources of men and material. The German advance must necessarily extend the German effort and increase the strain with every mile left behind.

It is now obvious that some definite result must emerge from the wide-flung battlefront in a matter of days rather than weeks.—Reuter.

Australian Cabinet Continues To Study Far Eastern Situation

Melbourne, Aug. 12.

Consideration of the Far Eastern situation was resumed today by the Federal Cabinet, following a twelve-hour session yesterday.

The desirability of appointing an Australian Minister to London was also discussed. The Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, and some Ministers favour this, although they recognize the necessity first of establishing political unity at home.

The Navy Minister, Mr. Hughes, emphasized that any Australian Minister sent to London must have the backing of a stable government in Australia.

Parliament to Meet

The Federal Parliament is meeting on August 20, to discuss the Far East and the suggestion that Australia be represented by a Minister in London, it is learned here today.

Following the emergency cabinet meeting last night it was announced that Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Prime Minister, has been asked to pay another visit to London.

"War Closer"

Mr. Curtain, Australian Labour leader, states that the war is moving closer to Australia and it is the duty of every man that is not fighting or training, to work.

"The time has come," he said, "when Australia asks loyal and devoted service of her sons," and added, "I put it as plainly as I can to every Australian, that the safety of this country is at stake."—Reuter.

Turkey Worried by Reported German Troop Movements

Istanbul, Aug. 12.

TURKEY was increasingly worried yesterday over reports of unusual German troop movements, with reports that German troops from Libya still wearing their desert kits have been seen in large groups in Bulgaria. Informed Axis sources arriving here from the Balkans estimate that the newcomers total at least two divisions.

The Germans were reported rushing construction of the main bridge linking the Bulgarian railway with the Istanbul line, which had been destroyed by the Greeks.

German transportation difficulties, observers noted, would be greatly facilitated if Germany was able to put pressure on Turkey, and force her to grant peaceful use of shipping facilities at Istanbul and to permit utilization of the railway lines which at present are stagnant because of lack of business.—United Press.

"Delicate" Position

Berne, Aug. 11.

Turkey's position as a neutral state is growing more delicate as war clouds are slowly nearing her frontiers.

Several factors account for this, notably the German advance in south-east Ukraine, and the various rumours pertaining to the Near East.

Despite the emotion caused by press controversies on the political future of South-East Europe after the war, Government quarters in Ankara are keeping calm and hope to be able to maintain the balance between the two groups of powers at war, through Turkey's alliance with Britain and her friendship pact with the Reich.

Nevertheless, the Turkish Government has increased the precautionary measures taken for more than a year.

Comment in London is reserved as far as Turkey is concerned, although official quarters admit that their attention is now centred on Ankara, where Herr Franz von Papen, the German Ambassador, has just returned from his summer residence.

Berlin, on the other hand, is confident in Turkey's policy and points out the famous Anglo-Russian secret pact of 1916 which, the Germans say, already bore upon the slicing up of Turkey.

New Front

Rumours are current in London and America that a new front will be formed in the Near East.

In Rome, attention is especially drawn to the Caucasus sector, and some quarters in the Italian capital allege that the British intend to launch a large-scale offensive in the Near East. An army of over half a million men has been concentrated in Egypt, Palestine and Syria and has been equipped with ultra-modern arms, partly supplied by the United States.

It is alleged in Rome that if this offensive will aim at helping the Russians to defend the Baku oil region, British forces will have to pass through Iraq, Iran and Turkey.

It seems that all these trial balloons herald new developments which might force Turkey to take grave decisions.—Havas Telemondial.

Italians Suffer Heavy Losses in Attack on Tobruk

Cairo, Aug. 12.

Italian forces attacking a post in the outer perimeter of the British defences at Tobruk were wiped out "almost to a man" during a bitter battle on Saturday, General Headquarters announced yesterday.

"The attackers were allowed to approach within 300 yards when they were killed almost to a man by heavy defensive fire from our artillery and machine-guns," the communique said.

The announcement revealed that British patrols on the western desert "successfully engaged a patrol of hostile armoured fighting vehicles" in the frontier area. The enemy was forced to withdraw "by the accuracy of our artillery fire," it was stated —United Press.

Tobruk Not Besieged

Cairo, Aug. 12.

"The situation at Tobruk has achieved the paradox of being at once extremely lively and entirely stable," declared an English captain just returned from there with others of Tobruk's garrison for a spell of leave. "Our Axis pals seem slow in learning from their own mistakes, for they still persist in Stuka dive-bombing, which is very wasteful as regards bombs which rarely do anything but bury themselves in sand. I have experienced hundreds of Stuka raids and their effect has been really negligible although the enemy seem to think our nerves are shaken by them."

Not Hit

The captain said that his leave ship was heavily bombed as she left Tobruk harbour but was not hit. The best reply to Axis propaganda that Tobruk was besieged was the presence here of troops on leave from Tobruk who had no difficulty in getting out and anticipate returning to duty at Tobruk shortly with equal facility.

Tobruk, in fact, is being serviced and maintained perhaps more copiously than other frontline positions because it is possible to send larger consignments at one time by sea than by land. Troops here with the brown, toughened appearance of Tobruk habitues receive preferential service in restaurants. As one proprietor said, "the gentlemen of Tobruk always come first in my establishment."—Reuter.

£8,000,000 Raised for British Battleship

London, Aug. 12.

Eight million pounds has been raised by the Stock Exchange Savings Group for a British battleship. An announcement to this effect made yesterday adds that the whole sum was raised since July 1.

Now, the group aims at raising by the end of September sufficient money to pay for an aircraft-carrier, cruiser, large destroyer, submarine, corvette, motor torpedo-boat, anti-submarine boat, bomber and medium tank.—Reuter.

Japanese Again Attack Chungking

Chungking, Aug. 12.

This afternoon, Japanese aircraft resumed their offensive against Chungking. Shortly after midnight the alarm was sounded here when raiders were sighted heading for the city. Though only a few bombs were dropped on Chungking the alert lasted all night.

Three waves of Japanese planes, comprising 81 machines, raided the western outskirts of the capital three times today. It is officially announced that six raiders were damaged by Chinese fighters in an air battle over Chengtu yesterday. One Japanese machine crashed in flames north of the Szechuen capital, it is claimed. All Chinese fighters returned safely to their base, it is added.—Reuter.

Indo-China, Aug. 11.

Aided by fair weather, Japanese naval air squadrons this afternoon conducted a mass raid on Kunming, Yunnan Province, blasting munitions warehouses, and an electric power plant located in the western part of the city, the Press Section of the Japanese Fleet in South China waters announced.

Numerous Chinese planes flew up to meet the Japanese planes but fled soon after, while Chinese anti-aircraft guns failed to fire a single shot, the announcement said, adding that all Japanese planes returned to their base safely.—Domei.

Kunming, Aug. 12.

The city was under air-raid alarm on Sunday and yesterday for the first time in over a month. Formations of 27 Japanese bombers approached the provincial capital.

Factories and power stations were attacked, but no bombs were dropped on the city.—Reuter.

Szechuan Town Raided

Nanking, Aug. 12.

Widespread damage and fires were caused when Japanese bombers swept down on Yunanchang, Szechuan Province, for the second time, the Press Section of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in Central China announced.

Salt factories and military objectives were blown up, the announcement said, adding that all Japanese planes participating in the raid returned to their base.—Domei.

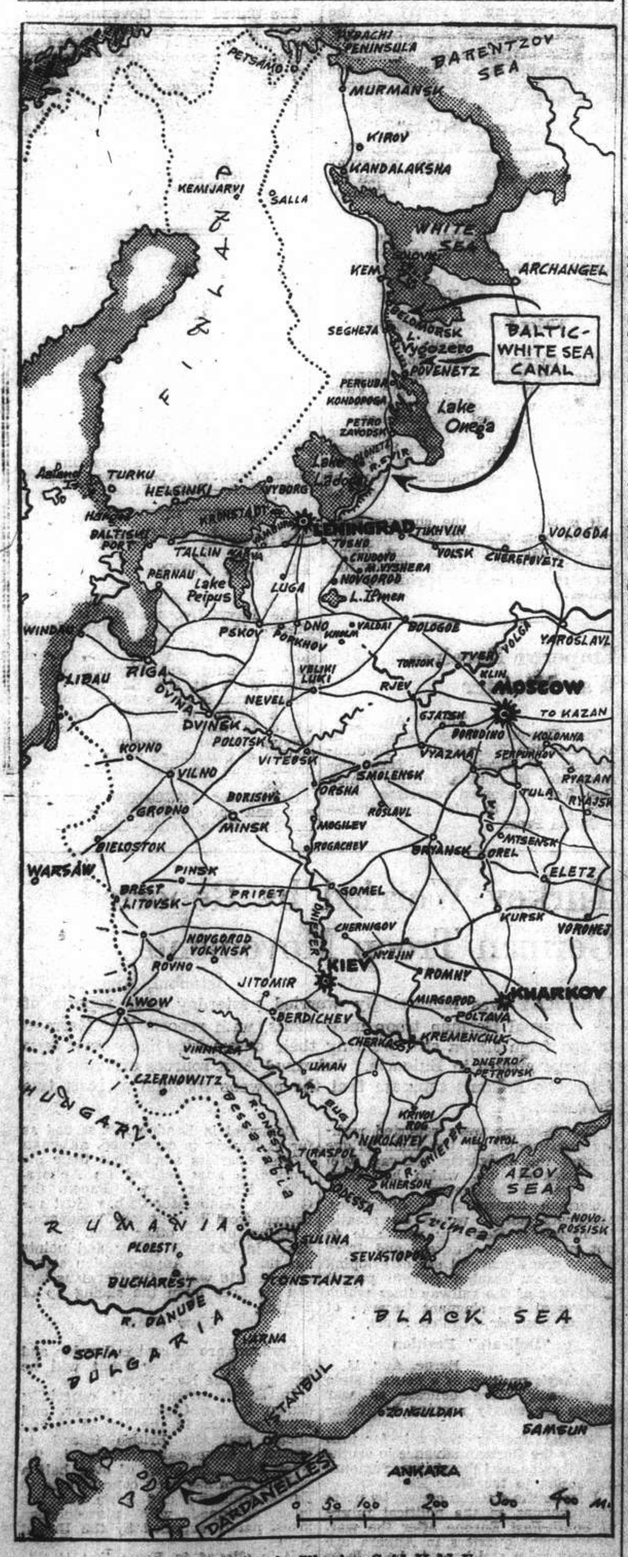
Assets to Be Freed on Reciprocal Basis

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The Finance Ministry announced the decision to grant exemptions in the application of freezing regulations on a reciprocal basis, depending upon the treatment of Japanese nationals in those countries where freezing orders are being enforced.

Such concessions had already been granted on August 5 to British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, the Australian Minister, Sir John Greig Latham, the acting Canadian Minister, Mr. E. D. McGeer, and the members of their diplomatic staffs, as well as British firms in Japan.

The latter included the Japan Dunlop Rubber Company, the Shinko Raw Cotton Corporation, and the Showa Raw Cotton Corporation, which were found to be completely controlled by Japanese nationals.—Domei.



German Drive in Ukraine Said Held Up

The desperate German drive into the Ukraine, towards Odessa and other Black Sea ports, was being fiercely resisted by powerful Soviet armies yesterday, according to the latest reports. The areas around Beleya Tserkov and Uman were the scene of the heaviest battles, with the Germans making no apparent progress. Little mention is made by either the Germans or the Russians of the fighting in other sectors of the long front.

End of China War Near Says Local Army Spokesman

"There is absolutely no truth whatever in the reports emanating from Chungking to the effect that Japanese troops have been withdrawn from the interior of China," stated Lieut.-Colonel K. Akiyama, the Army spokesman, at the Japanese press conference yesterday. "All such rumours spread in the vernacular press are entirely false," he added emphatically. That certain troops have been moved is true, the spokesman continued, but no specific information could be given on the subject.

Questioned as to the chances of a conclusion of the "China Incident" being brought about, Colonel Akiyama gave it as his considered opinion that a solution was in sight. In support of this statement he pointed out that the quality of the Chinese front line troops is now very poor and, in addition, the spirit of the leaders in Chungking is obviously changing. "With the exception of the Generalissimo and Madame Chiang, the will to resist is definitely decreasing," he asserted.

In No Hurry

Pursuing the topic further, the Colonel underlined the fact that, although the end was in sight, Japan was in no hurry. "Japan is not concerned about destruction," he said. "Her efforts are directed towards reconstruction, not only materially but spiritually. With this high purpose in mind, Japan is willing to take her time and is attempting, meanwhile, to keep down destruction to a minimum. If she had desired, as did the Mongolian hordes in the past, she could have done a tremendous amount of damage by the adoption of scientific and chemical methods of warfare."

In continuation he refuted any suggestion of a desire for peace on the part of the Army. "In the Army there has never been any consideration of peace," he stressed. "Its one aim is to wipe out Chungking."

"On the other hand," he went on, "if Chungking should decide to come in with the National Government of Nanking, then there will be no need for the complete annihilation of the regime. However, if it continues its antagonistic policy annihilation will be the only possible solution."

On Soviet Border

Turning to the situation on the Soviet-Manchoukuo frontier, Colonel Akiyama confirmed Vice-Commissar Lazovky's statement that there had been no further incidents of any sort. With Japan striving to bring about a conclusion of the "China Incident," he pointed out, her role on the border is purely a defensive one. In view of the prevailing quiet the spokesman failed to entertain any misgivings as to the possibility of large-scale fighting breaking out on that front. Any major offensive, he declared, is bound to be heralded by a flurry of activity on the border as a prelude to the big thing.

Finally he claimed that little credence was being attached to the rumours that America was shipping fighting planes to Russia over the Alaskan route, but added that Vladivostock was being carefully watched by the Japanese as a possible source for the distribution of supplies and ammunition which might fall into the "wrong hands."

*Fierce Soviet Resistance

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to the ground. Two other enemy bombers were heavily damaged.

"This German and Finnish attempt to effect the biggest raid on the Murmansk area since the outbreak of the war ignominiously failed. In the course of this combat our fighters brought down 13 German and Finnish bombers. Three enemy planes were shot down by anti-aircraft fire. The Soviet Air Force lost one plane. Two of our fighters were hit by shell splinters but were repaired and some time later again took off."—Reuter.

Nazis Claim Advance

Berlin, Aug. 12.

While the High Command dismissed operations on the eastern front with a terse statement that they were continuing favourably, the latest German military reports reaching here today said that German and Hungarian forces were accelerating their advance into south Ukraine.

The official Budapest communique, however, inferred that the speed might be partially due to the Russian decision to withdraw rather than risk losses by Nazi encircling movements.

No Assertions

Neutral observers pointed out that no assertions had been made that the Soviets were retreating in chaos. Therefore, they believed, a possible orderly retirement was being carried out which, if successful, would at least temporarily rob the German Command of its oft-stated main objective—"destruction of the enemy."

German quarters broadly hinted that the German and Hungarian forces were nearing the Black Sea and threatening important Soviet ports, but thus far no reports have been issued regarding specific progress.

A virtual silence continued to prevail regarding operations in other sectors.

Official sources here last night said that German panzer units, sweeping through the Ukraine in a thrust on Russia's vital Black Sea ports, had already occupied more than half the Ukraine.

Nazi panzer units destroyed "entire Soviet motorized columns" and captured vast numbers of prisoners, said official sources.

German military authorities said that the armies of Marshal Semion Budenny were being wiped out.

The German drives were so swift that Soviet commanders, divisional leaders and entire staffs, were falling prisoner, said Nazi sources.

Divisions numbering more than 500,000 men have been shattered, the Germans claimed.

D. N. B. reports from the front described Marshal Budenny's retreat. The reports said that 54 tanks and more than 300 trucks were destroyed and that two Russian infantry commanders and two divisional commanders were made prisoner.

Luftwaffe Said Active

Meanwhile, the Luftwaffe was ranging ahead of the lightening German advance, raiding retreating Russians and ferry boats massed along the lower Bug river for use in evacuating troops and also railway equipment, said D. N. B. — United Press.

Carole Londis makes her debut as a 20th Century-Fox player in the technicolour film "Moon Over Miami." Her contract is shared jointly between 20th Century-Fox and Hal Roach. Don Ameche and Betty Grable are teamed as sweethearts for the second time in "Moon Over Miami," which also includes Charlotte Greenwood, Robert Cummings and Cobina Wright, Jun.

Mussolini Declares War on Russia

Australia's Demand To Block Japan Discussed

London, Aug. 12.

The Australian demand for a hard and fast agreement on methods to block Japan in the Pacific was one of the major matters discussed in the recent Anglo-American diplomatic consultations which covered world-wide problems, reliable sources revealed today.

The frequent mention in the United Press despatch from London of Anglo-American conferences, without mentioning when or where they occurred recalled anew the rumours of last week that President Roosevelt and Mr. Winston Churchill had conferred some where on the Amercian side of the Atlantic.

Before the British and American representatives held their talks, both Washington and London had consulted with Moscow regarding the Soviet's attitude toward Japanese expansion in the Far East.

Reliable quarters said that the diplomatic exchanges began before the recent visit of Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, to Moscow and continued during his talks with M. Joseph Stalin and M. Viacheslav Molotov, Foreign Commissar.

The sudden summoning of the Australian Cabinet for a special session yesterday by Mr. Robert Menzies, Australian Prime Minister, was believed to be directly connected with the Anglo-American consultations.

Australia is considered one of the strongest points of the Democracies' defences in the Pacific.

Australia was known to have been dissatisfied with the results of the recent staff talks with the British and it was understood that she was demanding a specific agreement among the Pacific Powers, including the Netherlands East Indies, on steps to block Japanese expansionism in the south Pacific.—United Press.

Thailand Determined To Keep Independence

Singapore, Aug. 12.

"Thailand adheres to a policy of being good friends with all countries and definitely not being an enemy of any country," asserted the Thai Consul-General in an official statement on behalf of his Government.

"In regard to strategic positions, no country has presented a request for any base or threatened Thailand with military action. Movements of troops outside the realm are regarded by the Government as of no concern to Thailand and in regard to the military situation Thailand has not the slightest apprehension of being the object of military aggression by any foreign power.

"Such is Thailand's policy and Thai soldiers will observe it to the end and even if Thailand has to fight it will be solely for the purpose of preservation the honour of the army of Thailand and will fight to the last." —Domei.

To stimulate recruiting in the Women's Air Training Corps, the Australian Commandant, the Countess of Bective arrived in Sydney on July 7, to inspect New South Wales squadrons. Accompanied by the State Commandant of the Australian Women's Flying Club, Mrs. Charles Walton, and the liaison officer of the Newcastle and Tamworth squadrons, Mrs. T. Jackson, she visited both these northern centres, and on July 11 she visited the Windsor squadron.

An Australian woman who died in a Randwick hospital on July 2, at the age of 101, left 108 direct descendants. She was Mrs. Maria La Greca, a native of Messina, Italy. Mrs. La Greca came to Australia in 1900, and for many years lived at Balmain. Until three years ago she attended daily Mass at St. Augustine's Church, where the burial service took place. In 1939 she moved to Glebe. She had 11 children, 30 grandchildren, 64 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

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would also exert a serious effect on the actual situation.

Legislation extending the terms of army service is now pending in the House of Representatives, following Senate approval of extension for 18 months of terms of selectees, National Guardsmen and reservists.—United Press.

Hemispheric Defence

Mr. Hull manifested interest yesterday in press reports that the Uruguay Minister of Defence had favoured summoning of a conference of the chiefs of staff of the 21 American republics.

Mr. Hull told the press he assumed this suggestion was supplemental to what has been going on during the past few months under the Havana agreements.

Questioned concerning arrests of alleged pro-Nazi agents in south Chile, Mr. Hull said he had received a despatch from the United States Embassy which was more or less along the lines of press reports. He refused to comment further on the subject.—United Press.

Uruguay Conference

Montevideo, Aug. 12.

The Uruguay Ministry of Defence yesterday called on American nations to meet in a military defence conference. The statement was the first official move by a Latin-American state for summoning of a hemispheric defence meeting.

"It is necessary as soon as possible to establish a formula of cooperation for all American nations for common defence," the statement said. "The moment for action has arrived." —United Press.

Wearing of Masks in Office is Suggested

If masks are worn in shelters, to prevent the spread of infection, why not in the workroom or office, suggests Mr. V. Zachary Cope, a Harley-street surgeon, in a lecture reported in the British Medical Journal, according of the "Evening Standard" reporter.

"Making the reasonable assumption that in Great Britain every year one million people lose one day from work as the result of a cold," he says, "the time lost from this cause annually would equal nearly 3000 work years.

"Would it not be worth while attempting to reduce this time by mask prophylaxis?"

Menzies Makes Scathing Reply to Gayda Comment

Melbougne, Aug. 12.

The Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, today made a scathing retort to Monday's comment by Signor Gayda, Mussolini's mouthpiece, in the "Giornale d'Italia," on his declaration as to the "geographically plain fact that Singapore is part of Australia's frontier."

"Signor Gayda (who suggested that Germany and Japan 'might place their frontiers in the very heart of the British and American Empires') ought of course to know something about changing frontiers," Mr. Menzies caustically observed.

"When I talk about frontiers," he added, "I mean something which stays put."—Reuter.

Second U.S. Air Squadron

London, Aug. 12.

A second all-American eagle squadron has been formed in the R.A.F., states the Air Ministry News Service and has already had its first encounter with the enemy. As a result the squadron claims one Junkers 88 as "probably destroyed."—Reuter.

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Britain Safeguards Its Statues

Londoners are hurrying efforts to save their kings—the bronze and brass kind that have been riding out air raids precariously astride their metal and marble horses.

George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, though, are standing steady and no move has been uncovered yet to get them to safety.

The latest king to be moved is Charles I, whose equestrian statue is one of the finest in the world. At first he was sand-bagged to the tune of £400, but now he's going to be removed.

Streets at several intersections are filled with miniature sandstorms as workmen dump out the sandbags around the statues.

Among other kings being rushed from lofty London perches are William III, George III and James II.

A special safe spot is being allocated to the statues, but where is a secret.

Some quarters say that if and when George Washington is taken down, he'll probably be billeted with George III, the king who ruled during the American Revolution.

Both Washington and Lincoln are located in open places where they could easily be hit by bombs, yet both have escaped damage.

Lincoln had a narrow miss when a bomb recently hit a church 100 yards away and others fell on a building across the street. There were bomb hits near Washington, but none closer than a block away.

Call for Recruits In Australia

The Director-General of Recruiting in Australia, Major-General Lloyd, said recently that if any family or firm was holding back an eligible man who wanted to join the A.I.F. it was sabotaging Australia's war effort.

"It is about time the people of Australia, including employers, realised the vital importance of keeping up the strength of the A.I.F.," he said.

"I do not mean employers should bring pressure on employees to enlist, but that they should give those who are eligible every encouragement to enlist.

"The position is entirely different from that of the last war. This time Australia is in actual danger. The only way we can block the enemy is by keeping him out of this country.

"Australia must put aside detailed and negative criticism and probing for this and that reason for poor recruiting returns. There is a job to be done."

Anti-Jewish Polish Articles Disowned

The Polish Government "repudiates the anti-Jewish articles published in 'Jestem Polakiem,' the Polish newspaper published in London. We believe such articles injure our cause and we deplore them."

This statement has been made to the "News Chronicle" by an official on behalf of the Polish Government.

Publication in the "News Chronicle" of the fact that "Jestem Polakiem" is printing violent attacks on the Jews is to be followed by official investigation into the activities of its contributors. The matter is to be raised in Parliament, and it is expected that a statement will be made on behalf of the Foreign Office.

"The people running this paper are in opposition to the Polish Government," it was stated in London. "Steps will have to be taken to persuade them that they are injuring the Allied cause by this propaganda." "News Chronicle."

Made Night Trek to Avoid Lions

"The Italians contributed to their downfall in Abyssinia by building roads which the British forces found useful," says Mrs. Edith D'Harty, of Priory Close, Worthing, who 15 years ago crossed the Fantalli Desert, one of the main approaches to Addis Ababa according to the "Evening Standard" correspondent.

Mrs. D'Harty's husband was responsible for the building of the British Legation at Addis Ababa.

"The Fantalli Desert," said Mrs. D'Harty, "is treacherous. I crossed it with natives. To avoid lions and leopards we found it best to trek by night, making as much noise as possible and showing lights."

Mrs. D'Harty ran a hospital for sick natives at Addis Ababa. When she left she was presented with a rhinoceros hide shield.

Chinese Boy Wounded in Accidental Shooting

A ten-year old Chinese boy was wounded in the leg at 8.20 p.m. yesterday when a member of the Russian Auxiliary Detachment of the French Police fired accidentally as he was loading his pistol. The accident occurred near the Chung Hwa Bank building in Avenue Edward VII at the time when the Russian agent was loading his pistol to go on search patrol.

Syria Again Open To Tourists

Cairo, Aug. 12.

Syria and Lebanon are again open for tourist traffic, states the Free French Headquarters.

Persons seeking hot weather homes and intending holiday-makers are invited to apply to the Free French Headquarters in Cairo.—Reuter.

Little Change Noted In Labour Situation

There was little change in the strike situation here yesterday and two new disputes were reported. One of these, at the Mei Kong Silk Weaving Factory, 810/80 Kiaochow Road, broke out on Saturday afternoon when about ninety workers declared a strike as a protest against the dismissal of an employee. The strike was settled yesterday morning when the workers resumed after the dismissed man had been reinstated.

Another strike was reported to have broken out at Nichol's Chinese Rug Co. at 620 Yulin Road. More than 130 employees of the firm struck on Sunday after presenting demands for more pay. The concern had to suuspend business.

All the other strikes, at Mayar Silk Factory, Sung Dah Envelop Co., New Textile Co., Sun Company Tea Room, and Shriro Bros., remained without change, although hopes were expressed that the strikers of Shriro Bros. might resume today.

Meanwhile, the representatives of the strikers and the management of the Cercle Sportif Francais (French Club) were due to meet yesterday afternoon to discuss possible terms of agreement. The result of the meeting, at which Mr. Martin Wu, head of the Bureau of Social Welfare, was said to be mediating, could not be ascertained yesterday as no officials could be contacted.

OBITUARY

Sir Reginald Poole

London, Aug. 12.

Sir Reginald Poole, the famous solicitor who was associated with many important divorce cases, died in London last night. He was 76.

He appeared on one side or the other in nearly every big divorce action a long period, and his firm of Lewis and Lewis has specialized in this branch of law for more than 70 years.

Sir Reginald was former President of the Law Society, and a solicitor for over 50 years.—Reuter.

Norwegians will Not Starve for a Year

Professor Worm-Muller, the Norwegian scholar who used to be Nansen's secretary, is big and blond, more like a sea captain than a scholar.

Ships and sailors are his chief interest, and his history of Norwegian shipping runs to many volumes. Now he has gone to our North-East Coast to lecture to Norwegian seamen.

On his way to England via Sweden, Tokyo and America, he explained to as many groups of Norwegian seamen as he could seek out the course of the war and the truth about the blockade; that it is not by this weapon the Norwegians will suffer, but by the Nazis' seizure of their food.

When invaded, Norway had food for two years. The Professor does not believe real starvation will face the Norwegians until next winter. But they may be very short by June. —"Evening Standard."

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Restrictions on Foreigners in North Revived

Fears regarding the ability of foreigners leaving North China in the near future to return to Shanghai from summer resorts at the end of the season have been allayed as the result of enquiries which show that no impediments will be placed in the way of embarking passengers. The latter, however, must be in possession of the necessary permits issued by the Japanese or Japanese controlled authorities in northern ports which in numerous recent cases were only obtained after considerable difficulty.

It was learned yesterday from a passenger of a British vessel which arrived here from the north that three passengers, two Americans and a Briton, were nearly prevented from sailing from Tientsin on the boat and were only able to do so after American and British consular authorities had intervened. They were not in possession of the sailing permits.

Permits a Difficulty

Other passengers on the same vessel embarking at Chefoo stated that they were put to considerable difficulty and delay to secure the requisite permits, but were not asked to produce them when the boat was about to sail.

Enquiries made from other circles disclosed that the measures are more stringent in Tientsin than in the coast ports. It was also learned that permission to sail or travel was nothing new, having been required by the Japanese authorities three years ago. At that time all passports had to be stamped by the Chinese police with indications regarding the provinces in China in which the holder would travel while the permit was in force. A small fee was required from all applicants.

Old Measures Revived

As time went on the measures were relaxed and foreigners were allowed to travel by rail and steamer without the permit, although the restrictions were so rigorous at one time that cases were reported of foreigners being dispossessed of their passports by the Japanese and Chinese authorities because the permission to travel had not been obtained.

It was learned that the restrictions imposed recently are a revival of the old measures. It was learned from reliable quarters, however, that vacationers in northern ports would experience no difficulty in returning to Shanghai other than the inconvenience of having to secure the sailing permit.

Axis Ships Allowed to Trade Near Here

Shipping firms in Shanghai registered with the German and Italian Consulates General here have been forbidden to sail their ships to districts along the Fukien and Chekiang coast, but they have been allowed to navigate their ships between Shanghai and occupied districts on the lower Yangtze, according to the Shing Sheng News Agency. Orders to the above effect have been issued by the German and Italian consular authorities here.

The Chinese report states, however, that it is generally believed that such orders have been issued in order to prevent ships registered with German and Italian authorities from sailing to places where contacts with free China may be made. This shipping ban, it is further stated, may not be temporary.

The same report says that there is no hope for the resumption of shipping between Shanghai and coastal districts in Chekiang and Kiangsu, admitting, however, that very small boats which are likely to escape attention may sail to those districts.

Two small steamers of less than 100 tons each have left Shanghai for Aoukiang, a riverlet gateway to Wenchow in Chekiang, it is said, but the freight is very high, being figured between $1,400 and $1,600 per ton. Recent Chinese reports were to the effect that the navigation rights between Shanghai and Ningpo had been granted to a Japanese shipping firm.

Alleged Extortioners Detained

Two Chinese were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on a writ of detention in connection with an attempt to extort $20,000 from Ho Tung-sen, a coal merchant whose home is located at 124 Chusan Road. Both accused were remanded in custody pending further investigations. Between July 1 and 28, several letters were received by Ho demanding $20,000 and alleging that he had been making hand grenades for a big profit.

The extortioners asked Ho to send representatives to talk the matter over at several specified places, but Ho never complied with the requests. Recently he received another extortion letter in which two bullets were enclosed. It was sent to him by a messenger. After careful investigations, the police have made two arrests and further investigations are still proceeding.

Police Officer Feted By Club, R.A.D.

Mr. A. H. Samson, Assistant Commissioner of Arms Training Reserve and Controlling Officer of the Russian Auxiliary Detachment of the Shanghai Municipal Police, who has resigned from the force and will leave the city to join His Majesty's fighting forces, was yesterday the guest of honour at two presentation parties.

The first was held at 5 p.m. at the Police Club by the Police Recreation Club and the departing officer was presented with a pair of binoculars by Major K. M. Bourne, Commissioner of Police and President of the Police Recreation Club.

At 6 p.m., Mr. Samson was feted by officers of the Russian Detachment. Among those present were Major S. D. Ivanoff, Assistant Commissioner V. Sharman, who will take over Mr. Samson's appointments, Chief Inspector F. Testall and officers of the Detachment. Mr. Samson was presented with a silver cigarette case.

Better Treatment of Britons in Sinkiang

Peshawar, Aug. 12.

There has been considerable improvement in the attitude of the Sinkiang Government towards British subjects following the Russo-German war, according to reports received here from Kashgar.

British and Afghan subjects who were arranging to leave the country have therefore, it is stated, decided to remain.—Reuter.

German Gun Captured in Western Desert

Three British soldiers, dressed for coolness, inspect a German 3.7 gun captured in the Middle East. Plenty of useful ammunition was captured with the number of guns of which this is one. Much German material has fallen into British hands during the fighting around Tobruk.

Anniversary Recalls Letter By Indian Poet

The death of the great Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore and the anniversary today of the Sino-Japanese fighting round Shanghai recall the incident of the autumn of 1937 when in answer to the request of the Indian residents of Tokyo that he should intercede with Nehru and Congress leaders to prevent their anti-Japanese activities, Tagore wrote the following letter:—

Request Refused

"Your request caused me many restless hours, for it hurts me very much to have to ignore your appeal. I wish you had asked for my co-operation against a cause against which my spirit did not protest. I know in making this appeal you rely on my great regard for the Japanese, for I, along with the rest of Asia, did once admire and look up to Japan and did once strongly hope that in Japan Asia had at last discovered its challenge to the west: that Japan's new strength would be consecrated to safeguarding the culture of the East against alien interests. But Japan has not taken long to betray that rising hope and repudiate all that seemed significant in her wonderful and to us symbolic awakening, and has now become itself a worse menace to the defenceless peoples of the East.

"Worse than its economic exploitation, worse indeed than its geographical aggression is this daily perpetration of pitiless massacres and its unashamed championship of inhumanity. Countries have been conquered before in history and indeed in the wider perspective there is nothing very inhuman or shocking in a virile race overstepping dilapidated fences built by the previous victories of an earlier race, and until science had made man's inhumanity so effective such fighting like all life seemed only half cruel.

All Now Changed

"All that has changed, and today when one nation invades another its wrong is not only that of mere imperialist ambition but of inhuman butchery more indiscriminate than any plague; and if outraged conscience all over the world cries out against such wrong, who am I to call back such a righteous protest?

"This protest has not been engineered by any single individual. It is as spontaneous and heartfelt as the admiration that the peoples of East felt for Japan thirty years ago. I should be powerless to check it even if I dared attempt it. You must therefore forgive me for being unable to oblige you and believe me when I say I have great sympathy with my countrymen in Japan, as indeed I have with the Japanese themselves, but the cry that comes from China's broken hearts and broken heads and broken bones is far too piercing and awful".

Crime on Decrease in French Concession

Criminal activities in the French Concession continue to decrease, according to a communiqué issued yesterday. In July, two murders were recorded. In the first, an unemployed Chinese was killed on Rue Palikao, while Mr. Wang Teh-chow, an officer of the Sungkiang Peace Preservation Corps, was the second victim. He was killed on Route de Grouchy on July 21. The murderer was arrested at the corner of Route de Sayzoong and Avenue Haig. An Annamite policeman was wounded in the battle with the gunman.

Only five armed robberies, in comparison to nine in June, were reported in July. This is the lowest number since July 1939. Two cases were solved and an armed robber was arrested. An attempt to commit an armed robbery was also made in July. This occurred on Route de Sieyes and was perpetrated by two men, armed with a grenade secreted in a water-melon. The criminals were put to flight, but were confronted by a foreign police agent. In desperation, they threw the grenade at him, but it failed to explode. One of them was arrested.

Three highway robberies—same number as in June—were recorded. Three arrests were effected in connection with these crimes.

Kidnapping cases were also without a change, there being three reported to police in July. One of the victims, a six-year old boy, was rescued a few days after the crime was committed, and four kidnappers were arrested in the Western district with the cooperation of Japanese Gendarmerie.

Chinese Driver Fined for Assaulting Police

Wang Yue-chong, son of the manager of an overshoe shop in Lane 299 Yochow Road, was fined $200 in the First Special District Court yesterday for beating a Chinese police constable at about 10.20 p.m. on August 2. Wang was driving in a motor car at the intersection of Hankow and Yunnan Roads when he was stopped by the police for a search. He refused and there was a heated dispute, during which Wang was said to have struck the policeman.

Bangkok Delegation In Saigon

Saigon, Aug. 12.

A Thailand boundary commission delegation arrived here yesterday overland from Bangkok. It is understood meetings will begin very soon and are likely to include economic discussions.

The Saigon municipal authorities are taking steps to repair and extend the present air raid shelter facilities.—Reuter.

Authorities Ready For Anniversary

Exactly four years ago, first shots were fired to bring war closer to Shanghai than it had been for many years and to throw the city into confusion, from which it has not escaped up to the present moment. Since then, August 13 has been a day closely watched by the authorities of the foreign areas and local foreign garrisons, with all possible precautionary measures taken against the outburst of any untoward incidents.

Shanghai today becomes an armed camp once again as minor thoroughfares in the Settlement and French Concession are barricaded to minimize the work of the police, while larger streets have partial barricades erected to allow police to carry out stricter searches of pedestrians and vehicles. Such searches have been carried out by the Shanghai Municipal Police since August 9, the anniversary of the killing of two Japanese near the Hungjiao aerodrome, when all the side streets leading to the French Concession and Chinese areas were either completely barricaded or received special attention from the S.M.P. search parties.

Little Change North of Creek

Little change in Hongkew and Wayside areas, under the control of Japanese authorities, has been noted, although armed lorry patrols have been operating there for the past few days.

In the Concession, the police are working with the French troops. Smaller streets are also expected to be closed today. The Western District, under the jurisdiction of the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force, will also adopt precautions for the next two days.

West of Yu Ya Ching Road, patrol duties will be carried out by the Fourth United States Marines, who are co-operating with the S.M.P. In the area east of this road, armed lorry patrols will be manned by members of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps.

Briton Fined $20 for Failing to Register

Mr. R. T. Down was fined $20 by the Registrar, Mr. C. H. Haines, in H.M. Police Court yesterday morning for failing to register with the British Consulate here in 1938. The case was first heard last Friday when Mr. Down was fined $40 after pleading guilty of failing to register in 1940 and 1941.

The case was resumed yesterday with Mr. A. T. Cox, Vice-Consul in charge of the Registration Office, representing the Crown. Mr. Cox told the court that it had been impossible to find definite evidence against the accused for the years from 1930 to 1937, but that Mr. Down was married in Shanghai in 1938. This was proved by a marriage notice of April 20, signed by the accused.

In his defence, Mr. Down stated that he did not know that he had to register while staying in the city for only one month. In reply, Mr. Cox said that each passport contained a reminder to the effect.

In passing the decision, Mr. Haines stressed the great importance of registration, particularly in the present troublous times, when it is essential that the British Consulate knows where to find Britons should emergency arise. All the other charges were dismissed.

Suspected Kidnappers Handed Over to S.M.P.

The seventeen suspected kidnappers, arrested by detectives of Central Station of the Shanghai Municipal Police at Fah Wha village last Thursday afternoon, were finally handed over to the Settlement Police by the Western Shanghai Area Special Police Force yesterday. The detention of these suspects caused quite a stir, since the agreement, signed by Mayor Chen Kung-po and Mr. W. J. Keswick, former S.M.C. Chairman, on February 1, stipulated that arrested suspects would be handed over at once to authorities investigating the crime they were suspected of.

The arrest of the seventeen men, it may be recalled, led to the release of two victims, one of them being a P.W.D. foreman, while the other was Mr. Sze Pang-tse, brother of the former Chinese Minister to the Court of St. James.

The raid on Fah Wha village was carried out by a party from Central Station, under Detective Inspector V. I. Ovsianikoff, with the W.S.A.S.P.F. and Japanese Gendarmerie co-operating.

Solar Eclipse to Last 202 Seconds On September 21

Nearly total darkness, with stars of First Magnitude probably visible, are expected to accompany the total solar eclipse at noon on September 21, which because of the nearness of the shadow path will afford a unique opportunity for observation of China residents, especially those living in the lower Yangtze River district. The duration of the total phase of the eclipse is estimated at 202 seconds, which is sufficient for useful observation.

The total shadow path will pass 400 kilometres south of Shanghai which is relatively far. Such phenomena as corona, prominences which require totality will be not observed here, while the darkness will be nearly total.

The differences of temperature although real will be small, the eclipse occurring at noon when the earth surface is already hot. For visual observations, according to the Zikawei Observatory, the best way is to use ordinary glasses with black eyepieces like those used by mariners in their sextant. For the naked eye it would be best to prepare glasses wholly or partially smoked.

The most scientific observations possible here and independent of cloudiness would be the variations in the intensity of reception of radio waves. The eclipse will modify the reflecting power of the upper layers of the atmosphere (Kenelly-Heaviside layer).

Begins in North Caucasus

The eclipse path passes southeastwardly through the expanse of Asia dividing it almost into two equal parts and covers a wide terrain from the high tablelands of the interior to the river regions. It begins at sunrise in the North Caucasus and its shadow path traverses the Caspian Sea and the Central Asia region of Soviet Russia. Entering China from the north-west it passes through the heart of the country, again dividing it into two halves at its longest diameter, and disappears in the Pacific Ocean.

The districts passed over in China by the shadow are: the Tien Shan Mountain range and the Tarim Basin in Sinkiang north of the Takla Makan Desert, north of Tsinghai (Kokonor) province, southern Kansu, southern Shensi, the entire part of Hupeh, northern Kiangsi, a part of southern Chekiang and northern Fukien.

Among the towns passed over are, Kuche and Luntai of Sinkiang; Tulan and Sining, the capital of Tsinghai; Linhsia, Lintao and Tienshui of Kansu, whose capital Lanchow is on the northern limit of the shadow; Fengtien and Ankang of Shensi; Paokang Sienning and Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang; Kuikiang, Yungsiu and Nanchang capital of Kiangsi; Pucheng, Kienyang and Fuan of Fukien and other important towns.

Through China Proper the path intercepts the most densely populated districts and numerous highways. The railway lines include the Lunghai Line, the Peiping-Hankow Line, the Canton-Hankow Line, the Nanchang-Hunan Line, the Nanchang-Kiukiang Line, the Nanking-Nanchang Line and the Chenkiang-Kiangsi Line. It also traverses the Yangtze River in Hupeh Province.

Briton Fined for Breach Of Traffic Regulations

A fine of five shillings or $18.50 was imposed on Mr. B. P. Ghatlia by the Registrar, Mr. C. H. Haines, in H.M. Police Court yesterday morning for a breach of traffic regulations. Evidence in the case was given by C.P.C. 2891 of Central Station who told the court that the accused, on July 8, had allowed his car to exceed the waiting period by one hour and fifty minutes on the north side of Nanking Road, east of Szechuen Road. Insp. G. Craik appeared for the S.M.P. The accused was not present.

Half Million for War Funds Raised By B.R.A. Cttee.

The various groups responsible for the several war efforts sponsored by the B.R.A. War Efforts Sub-Committee, continue to work unabated throughout the summer. Proceeds up to the end of June amount to $556,680.50.

Vegetable Group

A new group has now been formed for the supply of home-grown vegetables. Members who are willing to give fresh garden produce, are asked to get in touch with Mrs. A. V. T. Dean, Telephone 71604, or with Mrs. H. L. Bridger, Telephone 21440. Up to now the demand has been so brisk that the supply proved inadequate, so the planting of more vegetables is an effective way of helping on the war effort.

The Bookshop in Sassoon Arcade continues to do well, though of course it is always hoped that sales will increase. Fresh supplies of books are frequently placed on the shelves, so it would be worth while to pay as many visits as possible to this shop when in town. Donations of books are still required and should be sent to B.R.A. Headquarters, 27 The Bund.

Postage Stamps Wanted

With the coming of the cooler weather the Postage Stamp group will be wanting further supplies of stamps for the autumn auctions. They will be hoping for some good ones too; perhaps in the course of turning out cupboards or preparing to pack for "pastures new", some stamp albums may come to light; if so, please turn them in for the benefit of war funds.

Collection of salvage continues to bring in a good revenue, and the public is asked to remember this means of helping towards keeping up the constant supply of money needed now and always, until we have won this war.

New Russo-Chinese Firm In Liquidation

A Russo-Chinese trading firm formerly located at 430 North Shanse Road and which was established just before the outbreak of the Russo-German war in order to promote trade between China and Europe through Siberia is undergoing liquidation, states the "Shun Pao." Regret is expressed that the new enterprise has to be stopped at this moment.

The firm is said to be a big organization supported by many well-known Chinese. It has just been moved to a smaller office on the French Bund after declaring a retrenchment policy as a result of which many employees have been dismissed.

It is recalled that since the European war big trade has been developing along the Siberian Railway. Many enterprises in Shanghai have been interested in promoting trade between China and Europe but their efforts have been rendered useless following the outbreak of the Russo-German conflict, it is said.

OBITUARY

Mr. R. H. Wallace

News was received yesterday of the death of Mr. Ronald Haddow Wallace, of the American President Lines, on Monday morning at San Francisco. Death came as a result of an operation performed on an old wound sustained during the first World War.

Mr. Wallace, who was in his late forties, was a member of the Shanghai Club, Columbia Country Club, Race Club, Hungjiao Golf Club, United Services Association and was also a founder member of the Royal Air Force Association. He was with the Inniskilling Dragoon from 1913, when he was gazetted, up to 1915 when he was transferred to the Royal Flying Corps.

He arrived in Shanghai in 1920 and saw volunteer service with the Shanghai Light Horse and Air Defence Company, leaving the latter as a lieutenant. Mr. Wallace was on home leave at the time of his death. He leaves a wife, also with the American President Lines, and a daughter. His father, Mr. Gavin Wallace, is at present residing in Australia. In addition to his many activities here, Mr. Wallace was also the proud owner of Frothblower, a pony that was often placed.

"That Would Rather Die Than Give Up Country"

Bangkok, Aug. 12.

Thai would die, rather than give up Thailand to any invader, or allow any foreigner to interfere with Thai inner politics, said the Thai Premier in Bangkok yesterday, according to the Bangkok radio.

The Premier is reported to have added that the alleged moves of British troops towards the Thai-Malaya border did not affect Thai.—Reuter.

Prices Limited in Concession

Authorities of the French Concession in Shanghai won unanimous applause from the Chinese press in the city yesterday for their admirable efforts to restrict merchants in increasing prices of their commodities. Bean an peanut oil merchants in the Concession were said to have been ordered to use the quotations on August 8 (namely, $2.18 per catty) without further increasing their prices unless with permission of the Price Fixing Committee. Strong reasons must be given when applying for an increase of prices in the Concession, it was said.

It will be recalled that of late Chinese householders have been worrying about the ever-increasing price of bean oil needed for cooking vegetables, the cheapest foodstuffs available to the residents here. Its price has been increased to such an extent that many residents have been forced to change their menus. No reason has been published in regard to the increase of price of this important commodity but it is a fact that its price was increased soon after the oil ban ordered in Washington. One Chinese commentator recently sarcastically stated that Washington's order should not affect Shanghai since the oil banned by President Roosevelt is not the oil urgently needed here and that the oil referred to is not used for cooking.

The Price Fixing Committee in the French Concession was reported to have held another meeting on Monday to discuss the rice situation. It was revealed in the report that with the exception of the first grade native rice, the price of which was fixed at $153 per picul, the committee also fixed prices of four main kinds of foreign rice sold in the Concession. Their prices range between $89 and $126 per picul. Concession residents were said to have been urged to report profiteering to the nearest police station.

President Lines May Shift Headquarters

Rumours were current here yesterday that the American President Lines Ltd., were contemplating the removal of its headquarters here to Manila, but this could not be confirmed from the company.

Revised Pontoon Charges Announced By S.M.C.

Beginning from September 1, charges for accommodation at pontoons on the Bund will be revised, according to an official communiqué issued yesterday by the Shanghai Municipal Council. The communiqué follows:

(1) Power Craft: $0.16 per ft. of overall length per hour for the first 24 hours, $0.12 per ft. of over-all length per hour thereafter.

(2) Registered Steel Lighters: One cent per ton of registered tonnage capacity per hour or portion of one hour, minimum charge $2.00 per hour.

(3) Wooden Lighters, Native Cargo or Passenger Boats, and Junks: (a) Over 50 ft. overall length: $2.00 per hour or portion of one hour. (b) Not exceeding 50 ft. overall length: $1.20 per hour or portion of one hour.

Double the above fees will be charged when the allotted berthing period is exceeded or when the Bund Pontoon Accommodation Regulations and conditions are infringed.

Power craft attending pontoons without cargo will not be assessed under the scale unless moored to a pontoon or to other craft so moored.

Passenger craft waiting at pontoons will be assessed at the full scale. These craft will be exempt from charges providing they leave the pontoons immediately their passengers have embarked or disembarked.

Brigadier Claggett Said in Batavia

Batavia, Aug. 11.

It was learned today that Brigadier-General Henry Claggett, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Air Force in the Philippines, is now visiting Batavia with regard to delivery of American arms and munitions to the Netherlands East Indies.—Domei.

July Report Issued by S.M.C. Librarian

A total of 19,217 books, including 18,524 foreign and 693 Chinese books, were lent during July for home use by the S.M.C. Public Library, showing an increase of 2,684 books over the previous month. The total represents an average daily issue of 750 volumes and was borrowed by 1,595 subscribers, according to the July report of the librarian.

The report stated that reading trends did not change noticeably during the past month, fiction being still in greater demand, with 13,241 volumes circulated. Among non-fiction books, biographies and books on travel were most in demand, followed by books on history and sociology. An unexpected increase was recorded in the circulation of books for children.

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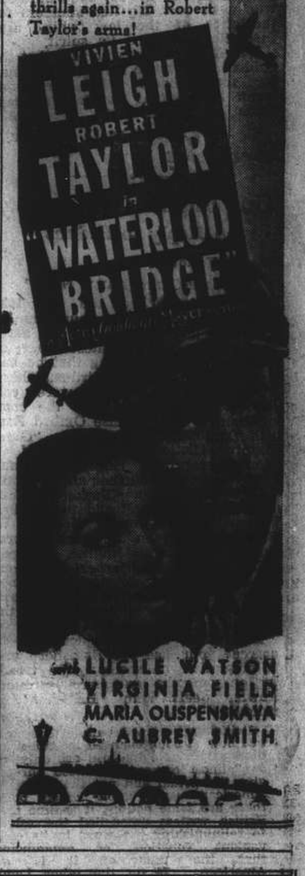

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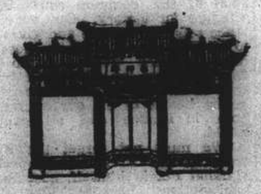

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Transport Squeeze:
A Way to Combat It

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The transportation utilities in this town are spending money in an attempt to combat "squeeze" by advertisement. But its best form is usually conveyed from mouth to mouth and strikes not only the eye but also the personal pocket. Here is a suggestion to the Tram and Bus Companies: Reduce the fare with explicit understanding that the public should cooperate to insist on *bona fide* tickets, or resume the present tariff if the patrons fail to comply with such a request. By the way, this method is more effective when it has been tried once before.

S. Y. FONG.

Shanghai, Aug. 12.

Appeal Withdrawn:
Support of Condemnation

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I would like to add my voice to yours and your correspondent FORUM CONSCIENTIAE's in condemnation of the action taken and the spirit shown by Mr. CHARLES W. RANKIN in connection with the lottery for relief work. I think your correspondent has shown up MR. RANKIN in his true colours very well. Certainly Christ, could he have been here, would not have approved MR. RANKIN's action. He showed clearly that he had no use for the Pharisees, who were such bigotted sticklers for the letter of the law while they themselves violated its spirit.

Was it not Christ who said that the Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath? What does this mean if not that humanity's needs come before the law?

ARTHUR DE C. SOWERBY.

Shanghai, Aug. 12.

This English:
A Reply to Pedant

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I wonder you did not take issue with PEDANT in your issue of Thursday last when he did not agree that Fowler is the greatest expert on English today, admitting that he had never heard of the "bird-snatcher." Fowler and his brother were collaborators with others in the compilation of the "Concise Oxford English Dictionary" from the "Great Oxford Dictionary," in itself a monumental task. But then he and his brother went further and together worked out the "Pocket Oxford English Dictionary," and then, when Francis George Fowler died, H. W. Fowler carried on the work of producing "Modern English Usage." What Mr. A. P. Herbert has done to equal that I do not know, nor have I any information as to PEDANT's qualifications for eminence in the field of letters.

But when PEDANT endeavours to correct your use of "Britisher" and "diplomatist" he seems to be treading on somewhat treacherous ground. Fowler deals with "Britisher" as follows:—

> Britisher is a word made in America, but now discountenanced in American dictionaries as 'in jocose use only' or as "almost disused;" if these phrases give the actual and not the desirable American usage upon which point there are some doubts, it is time that British writers reconciled themselves to relinquishing the word in its convenient function of announcing that the user of it is an American. If on the other hand, the word is still current in America, Englishmen have both as little right to object to outsiders applying it to them, and as little occasion to use it themselves as the Germans have to quarrel with us for calling them Germans and not Dutch or to change their name to please us.

"Britisher," therefore appears to serve some use, not wide, perhaps, but still in existence.

With regard to PEDANT's second statement that "diplomat" is the correct word, Fowler disagrees, and claims that the longer English formation is preferable to the un-English —*mat*. After all referring to the "Concise Oxford English Dictionary" "diplomatist" seems first to have appeared in the English language around 1791, while "diplomat" did not creep in until shortly after the burning of Moscow.

The very fact that you quote Fowler in other cases suggests to me that you could easily have dealt with PEDANT on this occasion, but if you will not bite your thumb at him, it seems that someone else must. Perhaps PEDANT has never heard of that particular phrase.—

IGNORAMUS.

Shanghai, Aug. 9.

***It is much too hot to go round biting thumbs at anyone nowadays, but if PEDANT persists in endeavouring to make us do so, we hope his rabbit dies.—ED.

Wanted:
Traffic Schools

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I think everyone agrees with me that traffic conditions in Shanghai are going from bad to worse and things are in almost a state of chaos in spite of the admirable work being done by our much overworked Traffic Department.

My suggestion is the formation by every police station of a traffic school and offenders against traffic by-laws be made to attend these schools until they have some sort of a working knowledge of these regulations and why they have been put into effect. For instance, what is the use of fining a rickshaw coolie a day's earnings when in a large majority of cases the coolie doesn't know what it's all about and promptly gets "pinched" again for a similar offence. Instead of the present method why not force him to attend traffic school for a few hours where he can learn the error of his ways and "go and sin no more."

Drivers of motor vehicles are quite correctly made to learn general traffic regulations, and before given a driving permit are examined in driving in traffic; no permit is allowed until he shows he can not only handle his car, but drives so as not to be a menace to other users of the road, the result is that motor cars are, on the whole, the best regulated traffic using our Shanghai streets.

What of the hundreds of bicycles, handcarts, wheelbarrows, etc.; any coolie is permitted to use our streets without any knowledge whatever of traffic regulations, these vehicles are a continual source of danger not only to themselves, but to all street users. I cannot hazard a guess how many accidents they are directly responsible for. My contention is that before these vehicles are permitted to use heavily congested down-town streets they should pass out at a traffic school. A start can be made with the most irresponsible of all street users, viz., the bicycle, and until they have passed through the school do not permit riding in at least the Central District. Push carts and tandems can next be dealt with and in time we will have traffic that is under some control.

Before closing I would like to ask your readers if they have ever seen any railless cars obey the traffic regulations requiring them to take on and set down passengers not more then 14 inches from the pavement. I have seen them on the Race Course Road 14 feet away (enough room between the pavement for two rickshaws abreast); these drivers should be forced to attend traffic school or have their licences suspended.

Traffic schools could be conducted by old Chinese Traffic "cops," and a regular course could easily be devised with charts, etc., so that even the limited knowledge of the coolie class could easily understand its meaning. If necessary the Police could start a higher school for erring motorists, and, in addition to a fine motor-car drivers, in extreme cases, could be directed by the court to attend traffic school for a refresher course.

I am hoping that some person better qualified than myself will second this suggestion and perhaps make further comments on my proposal. The main thing is we should demand more safety on our streets, and if there is enough support this or better suggestions may be put into effect for the benefit of all road users.

A.B.C.

Shanghai, Aug. 9

Brit Trumpeldor:
A Successful Ball

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I shall esteem it a favour if you will kindly publish the results of the 10th Halutsim Ball, which was held on June 8, at the Arcadia Ball Room under the auspices of the Shanghai Branch of Brit Trumpeldor.

On behalf of the committee I wish to extend our heartiest thanks and sincere gratitude to advertisers in the programme, patrons, friends, supporters and sympathizers and to all those who so willingly and readily came to our assistance in order to make the Halutsim Ball a success.

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1.45 News in Russian
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2.30 Dance Music for the Connoisseur
3.30 Woman and Home, including a short story at 3.50
4.30 Chinese Programme, including "The Foundations of Chinese Music," by Prof. Wei Chung-loh at 5.00. News at 5.20 and 6.00 and a commentary at 6.15
7.00 Czechoslovak Programme
7.30 Summer Evening Melodies
8.00 Relay of B.B.C. News, War Commentary and Listening Post
8.30 Kenneth Mackenzie's request programme
9.00 News in English
9.30 Songs that Have Sold a Million
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10.30 Contrasting Rhythm
11.00 Late Night Final
11.10 Dance Music
11.40 Moviegoers' News Summary
11.50-12.00 News in Chinese

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11.15 Freedom Ferry. Bombs on Brest.
11.30 Northern Lights.
Midnight Matters of Moment. Earl Winterton M.P. will talk on Empire and Home Farming in wartime.
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6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
6.50 Light music.
7.30 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers
7.50 Light music.
8.00 Causerie by Mme Claude Rivière. By cable via P.Q. Posterity has forgotten the name of Pouyet-Quarter cotton dealer and statesman whose initials are still used on cablegrams.
8.15 Light music.
8.30 News in French.
8.45 Light music.
9.00 News in English.
9.30 Concert:
Damnation of Faust: by Berlioz.

What Berliners Don't Like

This is one of the 1,000 pound bombs being used in raids by the R.A.F. It is shown being inspected by an R.A.F. armourer.

"Free French" Movement Purely Military—Not Political

Singapore, Aug. 12.

"THE programme of the 'Free French' movement throughout the Far East, and indeed throughout the whole world, is purely military; it is not political. Soon we will have an army of 100,000 fighting men trained on General de Gaulle's principles of an ultra-modern army."

This statement was made here by Monsieur Charles Baron, former Governor of France's possessions in India and now leader of the "Free French" movement in the Far East, on his return here from a tour of the Far East.

Monsieur Baron said he was particularly anxious to stress the entirely military and non-political foundation of the "Free French" movement, since he found that many people in the Far East, even including Britons, "distrusted our aims and mistrusted our ideals."

"To these few doubters," he said, "I would like to try and show the true face of 'La France Libre.'"

"At a time like this, when England musters all her strength and gathers her friends around her, it is good to know that the "Free French" are there, a loyal and efficient fighting force, at her side 'til the hour of final victory. Above all the Free French refuse to admit defeat.

"They obey that profound instinct of their race, as any Englishman placed in similar circumstances would have done, as he always has done in the past; it is this instinct which has always brought them through to victory.

Honour and Fidelity

"The second sentiment which guides us is the knowledge that in this war the fate of France is bound to Britain's destiny, and to that of our allies. Honour obliges us to fight as long as Great Britain and our allies fight, and fidelity—fidelity to the cause for which this war is being fought; fidelity to our history, our ideals, our Country; fidelity above all to those we have lost in this war, those who sacrificed their lives in Belgium, at Narvik, and Dunkirk, those of the last and tragic battle of France.

"The third reason for our attitude is that we do not recognize as legal a Government of coup d'etat, panic born and still dependent on the enemy.

"We have a great leader—General de Gaulle. We are not swayed by politics, our organization is purely military and our aims are simple: to deliver France from the enemy; to put our whole strength into the fight for victory; to sanctify, by our sacrifices, the Franco-British friendship, the base of the 'New Order' of the future. The Churchill-de Gaulle agreement defines our political and military situation. Economic agreements define the situation of the colonies which rallied to the Free French. A financial agreement provides our treasury with the necessary funds for our organization — apart from voluntary donations given by Free Frenchmen all over the world. These are the roots from which the Free French Movement springs, spreading its stout boughs like the sturdy old Gaulish oak.

New Army Being Formed

"Free French forces are represented by 55,000 men at present in the fighting lines on different fronts. By thirty warships actually in service. By a third of France's Merchant Navy, and 1,000 airmen. These figures represent our numbers six months ago, they have most certainly been increased since then, and we know that at the present moment an army of 100,000 fighting men is being formed at Brazzaville, and that this army is being trained on General de Gaulle's principles for an ultra-modern army.

"But besides the part which the increasing Free French forces will play in the war on land, sea and in the air, there are other services which the Free French can render for the good of the common cause in this struggle for victory. Our very existence sets an example and gives hope to all Frenchmen, even to those who have resigned themselves to their fate. Because of our stand by the side of Britain, a new hope is born in the hearts of all our countrymen both in France and all over the world.

"We must not forget that 95 per cent of the French, and probably Marshal Petain himself, accepted the capitulation because they were honestly convinced that everything was lost, and that it was only a matter of days when England herself would have to give in—all but Monsieur Laval and his gang of traitors. Thus France is awakening and responding to our appeal, we have manifold evidence. The cross of Lorraine has become a symbol of hope to a whole nation, a people which will not co-operate with Germany; a people who are ready to co-operate with the Free French. All those who are able to escape from the monstrous net which has been thrown over France, confirm this.

Network All Over World

"The Free French have spread a network all over the world, they symbolise the spirit of resistance in the fight against defeatism and the certainty of victory. England finds Free Frenchmen everywhere, co-operating with her in the fight against 5th columnists, against the doubting and against all the sneaking allies of the enemy.

"The British know well that they are not only defending their lives and property, but things of a far greater value, deeper than political and economic interests. They know that while defending England they defend the cause of the whole human race—the right to liberty and equality. The Free French can testify to this.

"In the end when this difficult but certain victory is theirs and ours, when after all the sacrifices we have suffered together, France is again Free, we shall not again commit the same error of each returning to our own home, dressing our own wounds, everyone for himself. For the New Order will be made through collaboration with all trustworthy men, and England and France will have the friendship of a true brotherhood of nations, for we shall have shared our trials.

"Having stuck together through bad times, we shall share the better times to come, and we shall build a new and peaceful world on the solid foundation of Franco-British friendship."—Reuter.

Joint Plan For U.S. Oil Pipe Line Submitted

New York, Aug. 12.

A joint plan for construction of an 1,820-mile oil pipe line system has been submitted to Mr. Harold Ickes, petroleum defence administrator, by 11 large oil companies. The system would be capable of delivering a quarter of a million barrels of oil daily into the New York area from the southwest.

The plan calls for an immediate start and completion within nine months. A formal agreement would become effective as soon as Mr. Ickes approved the plan and the President proclaimed the line necessary for national defence. A proclamation to this effect from the President would clear the way for creation of jointly owned $80,000,000 "National Defence Pipelines, Inc.," financing of which is being arranged through private placement of five-year notes.

Field surveying by aerial photography is already under way. This will ensure the start of the initial project with minimum delay.—Reuter.

French Forests Destroyed

Marseilles, Aug. 12.

An unprecedented fire was raging in the forests of the La Ciotat region near Toulon yesterday, and 1,500 hectares of some of the finest wooded land in France has been destroyed already. The fire was aided by a violent wind. Two fire fighters were reported missing. It was believed they were overcome by smoke and then perished in the flames.—United Press.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF AUGUST 13, 1871

We extract from the Calcutta "Englishman" some details of suffering caused by the famine in Persia. It is said that 13,000 souls have been swept off by starvation in Khorassan; the small number of survivors are supporting life on human corpses—25,000 of the inhabitants have fled from Yezd, where robbery and murder are rife and children daily sold for food. A large number of Parsees have come from the impoverished districts, to Bombay.

Mr. Wickham Steed Reviews the General War Situation

THE following commentary on "World Affairs" was given by Mr. H. Wickham Steed over the B.B.C. on Saturday:

"According to an increasing number of reports and rumours, the German people are worried—worried by the way the war against Russia is going. Hitler, too, is worried. This doesn't yet mean that anything like a breakdown of the German spirit can be counted on, or that Hitler is in within sight of having to throw up the sponge; it does mean, I think, that we should do well to put ourselves for a moment in Hitler's place and to try to read his mind in the light of what we know. This flight of imagination will oblige us to put a girdle round the world in a few minutes and to see the war as a whole. It may be a useful corrective of the habit into which we are all prone to fall, that of fixing our attention on one point of the huge struggle and of forgetting the other points.

U.S. Warning to Vichy

During the past week the United States has given another warning to the Vichy Government not to hand over to the Germans Morocco, Dakar, and French North West Africa, generally, as Indo-China has been handed over to the Japanese, and as Syria would have been handed over to Germany if the British and Free French forces had not spoiled the plan. This North American warning bears directly upon German designs upon South America, where Bolivia, Uruguay and the Argentine have already had to deal firmly with Nazi intrigues, and where the trouble between Ecuador and Peru may well have been due to German instigation. So, whilst the United States occupies Iceland in the far north of the North Atlantic it has to think of West Africa and South America in the South Atlantic.

We don't know exactly what Hitler's plans may be in these wide regions of land and sea, and we cannot yet tell whether the Men of Vichy or General Franco in Spain are quite willing to dance to Hitler's tune, but we do know that German plans have been made for action against Britain and her Allies, as well as against the United States and the South American republics in these regions, and we have reason to suppose that the readiness of Hitler's dupes and accomplices to fall in with these plans may depend to some extent upon the further course of the fighting in Russia.

Warnings to Japan

The warning of the United States to Vichy is not the only warning that has been given this week, both Mr. Cordell Hull from Washington, and Mr Anthony Eden from London have pointedly advised the Japanese to keep their hands off Thailand, or Siam, which borders the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean. The policy of Japan may or may not be fully co-ordinated with the policy of Germany, though it is safer, and perhaps more accurate, to assume that it is. We know, for example, that Hitler put pressure on Vichy in support of the Japanese occupation of Indo-China, and if Japan should ignore the warnings from Washington and London and should molest Thailand it would be reasonable to conclude that her object would be to threaten Burma and India from the South-East and Singapore, the Dutch East Indies and Australia from the North West.

Japan Deeply Committed

There are also reports of a Japanese threat to Russia at Vladivostok, and through Manchuria. Here, again, Japan may be prudent or imprudent according to her information of the way the Russo-German war is likely to go; of course, she may go ahead in any event—she is so deeply committed in China, and has now committed herself so deeply in Indo-China that she could not well draw back without disastrous loss of face even if things were to go badly for Hitler in Russia.

But to understand the extent to which German and Japanese policies may be co-ordinated it will be well to look for a moment to German designs against South Russia and the Middle-East. Why did Hitler break off his campaign in the Middle East and decide to attack Russia?

Aiming at India

My own information guides me to think that the British suppression of the Raschid Ali revolt in Iraq and the occupation of Syria compelled him to seek another approach to one of his ultimate aims which is the conquest of India. He had managed to make the Russian Government believe that the next German offensive would be launched against Turkey, and that the gathering of German forces on the border of Russia was merely a blind. This is why the Russians were taken by surprise when the German offensive began on June 22, and why the Germans were able to gain a good deal of ground in the first phase of the offensive.

Middle East Position

It has only been during the last ten days or so that Russian mobilization has been anything like complete, but even the partial mobilization of the Russian army gave Hitler much worse headaches than he had expected. There is increasing evidence that he and the German General Staff hoped to break through the Russian front and capture Leningrad, Moscow and Kiev in a very few weeks; then they thought Russian resistance would collapse and the path through the Caucasus to the oil of Baku and to the table-lands of Iran would be open.

Now Iran, or Persia, touches not only Afghanistan but Baluchistan, which is a border province of North Western India, while German control of the Persian shore of the Persian Gulf would render precarious the British hold on Iraq and Syria. The whole of the Middle East would be imperilled, and, if at the same time Japan were operating from Thailand against Burma and Eastern India, General Sir Archibald Wavell and his staff in India would have all their work cut out.

Must Take Broad View

This, or something like this, may be, or may have been in Hitler's mind; if so, ought we not to keep our gaze on the Russian front? Is it not certain that if Hitler's reckoning had proved right, if his armies could have gone through the Russian defences like a knife through butter, he would have gained the most spectacular of his triumphs, moral as well as strategical. Belief in his invincibility would have spread throughout Asia and the World.

Consequently, the tendency of waverers to range themselves betimes on what they would have felt to be the winning side must have been more marked, and the task of Britain and her Allies, notwithstanding the growing aid from the United States would have been rendered harder. It is more difficult for the imagination of doubters or waverers to realize the silent pressure of sea-power upon land warfare than it is to jump to the conclusion that success on land must be decisive. Undoubtedly, what I may call the propaganda value of a German triumph in Russia would have been very great, and the value of Russian resistance as a corrective to any belief in German invincibility is correspondingly important.

The Wider Aspects

Yet it doesn't follow that those of us who try to see the war as a whole and who look forward to a peace that shall restore order and prosperity to a stricken world ought to divert our minds from the wider aspects of the war. The Russians themselves, I believe, are well aware that Hitler has forced them into the struggle on which the future of the whole world depends. They do not say they can win this struggle by themselves; vast as their own resources are they have sought and will get all the material help the United States and Britain can give them, and they are eager to see Great Britain hamper and harm the Germans both in the West of Europe and anywhere else. They understand the psychological importance of the destructive British air raids on Western and Southern Germany as well as the military value of these raids in crippling the German war industries, nor do they forget that the achievement of the British Navy and Air Force in sinking or putting out of action 459,000 tons of enemy shipping during July must decrease the fighting power of Germany even against Russia.

Those German Claims

We, for our part, are not impressed by the astronomical figures of alleged Russian losses issued by the German High Command. We remember too well the figures of British and German air losses as announced officially by Germany during the Battle of Britain last year. When our airmen had shot down 135 German aircraft in one day and had lost only a quarter of that number the Germans claimed that we had lost 130 and that their own losses had been less than a quarter of that total. The Germans were then losing the Battle of Britain, and they knew it, so they inverted the true figures. The military achievement of the Russians has been stupendous; just as our airmen in the Battle of Britain broke down and broke up a German offensive which Hitler believed irresistible, so the Russians have broken down and broken up, for the first time, a mechanized German land offensive. German military authorities in Berlin now complain that the Russian General Staff derived great profit from the observations of its military observers during the Polish, French and Yugoslav campaigns, and that, having familiarized themselves with German strategy, they forsaw and averted German attempts to encircle them.

Staying Power

These facts, say the German military authorities, explain the duration of the fighting and the enormous losses involved. If it be asked who can keep up the violence of the fighting, and withstand the enormous losses, until the other side is exhausted, the answer does not seem to favour the Germans. They are fighting at the far end of long lines of communications in hostile country; the Russians have shorter lines of communications and are fighting on their own soil. Given anything like equality of resources, the outcome should not favour the aggressor, and it is this prospect which is beginning to spread dark forebodings, if not as yet dismay, throughout the length and breadth of Germany.

But here a further question arises—What will Hitler do when he finds his plans for the conquest of Russia, for the control of the Middle East, and for an attack upon India with the help of Japan have fallen through? Will he urge Japan to challenge Great Britain and the United States by an attack on Thailand? Will he press the men of Vichy and General Franco to help him to get control of North West Africa? Will he try to gather such forces as he can spare for a desperate attack on Great Britain, such as Mr. Winston Churchill warned us to be ready to meet by September 1 at latest?

Nearer the Fateful Hour

We don't know and cannot guess: we know only that every week which fails to bring Hitler some unquestionable triumph increases the depression of the German people, stimulates faith in speedier liberation throughout the countries under the German heel, and brings Hitler nearer to an hour more fateful even than the late Kaiser William the Second had to face in November 1918. This war, as I have said, is a world wide struggle for the future of the world; it is moral as much as military; the force of suggestiveness of Hitler's triumphs, the spread of belief that he could not successfully be withstood will recoil upon him when the world sees he is neither invincible nor irresistible, and the breaking of the chains by which he has bound so many peoples will herald the complete discomforture of Nazi Germany and her infernal works. Now, more than ever, is the moment for the forces of freedom to hold fast, to strike hard, and to prepare for the day of complete and refulgent victory.

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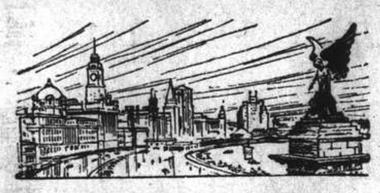

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SOUND ADVICE

It was about 9.30 a.m. on this day four years ago that fighting between the entrenched Chinese in Chapei and the Japanese broke out. The results of the Lukouchiao incident which had occurred on July 7, 1937, had spread to Shanghai. This city was destined to pass through the most trying period of its history. That it came out of the ordeal so well as it did is due as much to the quality of its inhabitants as to the advantages of the situation it occupies. It is not, however, so much with local questions that it is necessary to be concerned, but rather to take advantage of this landmark in the Sino-Japanese struggle to endeavour to estimate the results of the extension of hostilities in northern China to this part of the world and ultimately down the entire coast of China. At very great cost the Japanese were able after several months of fighting to force their way up the Yangtze to and beyond Hankow. Chiang Kei-shek was gradually forced back into Szechuen.

In not very rapid succession the various Chinese ports through which the National Government could receive supplies were closed by the Japanese, and now at the end of four years about as complete a blockade as possible has been instituted by the Japanese. Chungking is forced to rely for supplies on two land routes, one from Russia, and the other the famous Burma Road. But the Chinese have not been beaten. Their country has only been occupied in several districts, and it may safely be said that the greater part of China, even in those areas which are claimed to be occupied, the fiat of the National Government still runs to within rifle shot of the various Japanese outposts. There is effective Japanese occupation of the ports, and certain inland cities, but the conclusion cannot be avoided that the extent of the success is in no way commensurate with the great outlay in life and treasure which this adventure in China has without a doubt cost them.

Reports of conditions in that Japan show that its economy has been placed under an enormous strain, that the people are suffering hardships which are scarcely to be expected of a nation which claims to have waged a successful war with the Chinese. The estimated cost in money of the "China Incident" ranges from Yen 20,000,000,000 upwards, and Japan has comparatively little to show for it. That is the simple truth of the matter. What was expected to be a short sharp struggle, yielding Japan rich returns in the north, has through the determination of the Chinese developed into a struggle the end of which is not in sight, and so far as the National Government is concerned will not be in sight until China is freed of the invading hordes. These hostilities have had the effect of crystallizing Chinese patriotism in a way which has never before been seen, and there is arising a new China which will see that its destinies shall never be denied it by the actions of an alien race.

Surely there is a lesson in this which Japan would do well to bear in mind when confronting developments *vis-à-vis* of Great Britain and the United States. In China the Japanese started something which they are very apparently unable to finish. Here they were opposed by a nation relatively unequipped as compared with the Japanese army. In Great Britain and the United States they will find, should they be so ill-advised as to force the issue to the arbitrament of arms, two nations richer in resources than Japan is, just as well, if not better equipped, and quite ready and willing to meet all demands in the nature of force which may be made of them. What is more Japan will find them just as determined in the defence of their interests as the Chinese have been in the defence of their national integrity. In all this there is no bluff. If there are people in Tokyo who believe contrarily they are due for a sad awakening should they get themselves into a position whence there can be no withdrawal, and the best advice to the Japanese at this juncture is to refrain from attempting to bite off more than they can chew.

REVELATION!

German propaganda for the most part is ignored by reasonable people for the slimy thing it is, but there are occasions when the Germans give the whole of their case away. Just recently they have been circulating locally a series of pamphlets as childishly naive in some respects as they are foolish in others and one such is entitled "Why Germany is at War against the Soviets." It is said to be composed of German official statements. The first is a proclamation by the ineffable Adolf dated June 22, 1941, the date of the invasion of Russia. It starts off :—

> People of Germany! National Socialists! Burdened with grave concern and compelled to months of silence, the hour has come when I can at last speak frankly.

If June 22, 1941, was the very earliest moment at which Hitler could commence to tell the truth the question may very well be asked in what light all his earlier utterances are to be regarded. If it is asked it answers itself. Adolf by implication admits that until that date he had been lying as all the world knew he was.

The second chapter deals with the German Note to the Soviet Government in which it is claimed that "contrary to all obligations and its solemn declaration Moscow had turned against Germany, and thus had broken the German-Russian treaty of friendship." Russia has done nothing of the sort, and the German Foreign Office know it, but the time had apparently not come for it to adopt the policy of Hitler in speaking frankly. Obviously, if it did so, there would be no case whatever in support of the German invasion of Russia. Be it noted the Germans at the height of their lying never claim that the Russians invaded Germany, but merely that they contemplated doing so. Then the German Supreme Command wades in with its story of troop concentrations undertaken by Russia and alleged to be a menace to Germany. Those concentrations did not take place until well after Germany had stationed those forces along the Russo-German border which were ultimately thrown against Russia in June.

There follows a report of the Germany Foreign Office on Soviet Russian political activities, in which it is declared that the Russo-German Treaty of August, 1939, was regarded by the Russians "only as a tactical means for exploitation of a favourable political situation." The implication that M. Stalin signed that document with his tongue in his cheek is interesting in the light of an admission later on in the same pamphlet as to how the Germans regarded it. The next item is a report compiled by Dr. Frick, Reichminister of the Interior, and Reich Leader SS and Chief of the German Police, Himmler, on what they chose to describe as Soviet double dealing and intrigue, worded in such an air of injured innocence as to make it positively amusing. And lastly comes a chapter carrying the same caption as the pamphlet itself. The second paragraph of this article states: "The Pact concluded with Russia by Germany in August, 1939, did not only originate in circumstantial necessities, as it could be put without a thorough study of the facts." No, it did not arise from circumstantial necessities, but was part of a plot as the pamphlet itself admits.

On the penultimate page comes the confession: "The Reich signed the Treaty of August 22, 1939, to eliminate a powerful enemy *at least for the time being*...." There is a cat right out of the German bag. There was no desire for a real understanding between the two countries on the part of the Reich, but merely the intention of safeguarding its rear while it dealt with the Western democracies, after which, if Hitler were successful, he would treat this pact with as little unconcern as he has treated others. Having eliminated France and consequently a western front, Hitler felt himself at liberty to attack Russia and the pact was torn up just as it is suggested in this pamphlet it was intended it should be, though possibly earlier than was thought when it was signed. Such propaganda as this, when the Germans occasionally tell the truth, is to be welcomed, and the local enthusiasts responsible for this and other productions are to be congratulated upon seeing the light,—or it is merely another stupid oversight on the part of someone?

World Domination

Mr. Richard Casey, the Australian Minister to Washington, has done the cause of Freedom good service in reminding those supporting it that Hitler's aim is world domination. The idea of world domination is so immense that it may well be doubted whether John Citizen is sufficiently endowed with brains to comprehend it; it is beyond the scope of the average man's imagination, and therefore cannot be repeated too often. It is the truth. The Nazis have never been too shy to proclaim that the German "race" has been borne to rule the world—not just a section of the world, but the whole earth. In this conception there is no room for local hegemonies such as that the Japanese are attempting to bring into being in the Far East. There is no room for any rival or potential rival to the Nazis, even though the Nazis may for the present announce only limited ambitions in order to lull into false security those nations which are short-sightedly supporting them. If Hitler ever manages to realise his dream of complete domination over Europe and Africa, he will be immensely strong. And it is simply foolish for any nation to believe that he will not attempt to spread his dominion over wider areas, whether economically over the South American continent or by force of arms over Asia. It is the firm determination of the Democracies and Soviet Russia to stop him from doing this, and those who are now straining every effort and every resource in the war against him, are confident that they will be successful. There should, however, be full realization of the importance, as well as the magnitude, of the task confronting them. The issue is such that there can be no compromise. Hitler has set in motion a great war machine in his own country, which he is now powerless to stop, even if he wanted to. Victories are the fuel upon which the machine is driven, and if it is to be kept going, more and more victories must be fed to it. That is where it will eventually break down. It has already shown signs of doing so, owing to the resistance put up by the British Empire and her Allies and by the Russians. But the task of smashing up this machine has only just begun; by time, through resolution, and by sacrifice the task will be completed. Mr. Casey pointed out to his American audience the significance of the activities now being undertaken by the Nazis in South America. President Roosevelt and his colleagues are fully aware of this significance, but recent comments by isolationist speakers prove that a large section of the United States has not taken to heart the warnings which their officials have uttered. It is undeniable that there are thousands of Nazi agents at work in South America. What are they doing? They are not making trade between that continent and Germany, since the British blockade rules out efforts in that direction. Their objects are purely destructive—to undermine the governments of the countries in which they are working and to pave the way for the establishment of a Nazi domain, which will be a constant threat to the security of the United States. South American countries have already experienced the results of the Nazi undermining. Plots have been discovered in the Argentine, Brazil, and Chile which have revealed the whole nefarious scheme. If there remains any doubt as to the ultimate aim of the Nazis, it can be cleared away by a review of the vastness of their present commitments. These commitments have not checked for an instant the underground activities of their agents elsewhere. Some slackening of these activities might be expected, if Hitler's objective were simply the domination of Europe. Instead of being slackened, however, the activities have been speeded up. This fact is proof that Hitler is not stopping at European conquest; he is out to dominate the world.

STRAY NOTES

July 29.—At sea. A little incident occurred on my last day in Weihaiwei which set me thinking: a Chinese of the better-dressed farmer class passed me on a bicycle as I walked along the quiet water-front road: from his seat in the saddle he could see over a stone wall behind which were some newly planted vegetable crops: he suddenly dismounted, propped his bicycle up on its stand, picked up a stone and hurled it over the wall...when up fluttered a Blue Rock Pigeon and flew away: the farmer, having done his good deed for the day to a neighbour's land, rode away. Not having any wild pigeons in Shanghai we are apt to forget that they are Public Enemy No. 1 in Europe—as witness this advertisement now inserted in English magazines of the "Game and Gun" type:—

WOODPIGEONS

"The blue scourge of the fields"

"Wheat for our bread, oats for our porridge, brussels sprouts for our green food, kale for our cattle and a dozen other essential crops are plundered by the greedy, crafty woodpigeon. Of all feathered pests (?—*tell me what the others are ? E.S.W.*) he is the most costly to the country in terms of food. He is not tolerated at a time when every available acre must yield a greater harvest. Yet his numbers are increasing. Kill him at every opportunity."

Now, the interesting part of this story is that the Blue Rock Pigeon (or Rock-dove), which the Chinese I am writing about was heaving rocks at, is the ancestor of most domestic pigeons and is already practically extinct in agricultural areas at home; for not only was he a convicted thief, but he was found good to eat, and thus caused himself to be trapped and shot out of existence. And now for the funny bit on this same subject. Descendants of the wild pigeons became "homers" and carry messages for the Army and Airforce....so Peregrine Falcons are to be shot on sight because they kill and eat homing pigeons. In other words, as the result of this war we kill pigeons for eating our pigeons. A complicated state of affairs brought to my notice by seeing a Chinaman throwing a stone.—E.S.W.

Feeble applause may arise from a keen and fastidious sense of the slightest imperfection; but it is more frequently to be attributed to an inadequate notion of the dangers which have been avoided and the difficulties which have been overcome.—Sir Arthur Helps.

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It would be better for all parties, if nine in every ten of the "winged words" flying about in this world had their feathers clipped amongst men, or even amongst women, who have a right to a larger allowance of words.—Thomas de Quincey.

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I love the safety which a palpable hallucination warrants; the security which a word out of reason ratifies. And take my word for this, reader, and say a fool told it you, if you please, that he who hath not a dram of folly in his mixture, hath pounds of much worse matter in his composition.—Charles Lamb.

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Beware of making your moral staple consist of the negative virtues. It is good to abstain, and teach others to abstain, from all that is sinful or hurtful. But making a business of it leads to emaciation of character, unless one feeds largely also on the more nutritious diet of active sympathetic benevolence.—Oliver Wendell Holmes

MENDING BROKEN NERVES

In three British medical centres—one in Lancashire, another in Oxford and a third in Sussex—several hundred veterans and many civilians who have been the victims of traffic accidents in blackouts and of exploding bombs are having their ruptured nerves joined and restored by a method which an American biologist, John Z. Young, developed, states the New York "Times." Mr. Young studied nerve physiology in the University of Chicago in 1937 and 1938 and is now working at Oxford supported by a Rockefeller grant. His contribution is of revolutionary importance.

As might be expected, Mr. Young first experimented with rabbits and dogs. Instead of stitching the ends of their broken nerves together he decided to cement them together with blood plasma, that is, the fluid portion of the blood as distinguished from the serum obtained after coagulation. Ordinary plasma is not sticky enough. So Mr. Young heightened its cementing power by adding fibrinogen, a protein which is dissolved in the blood and which becomes what is called fibrin when it coagulates. As a result of this addition, the cementing power of plasma is increased ten times. The process is much like making mucilage stickier.

In experimenting with rabbits Mr. Young used chicken plasma, obtained from cockerels, and chicken extract. Whether he is using the same combination in human cases this department does not know. His method gives excellent results even when the nerve stumps are separated by as much as half an inch. He drops in the plasma and chicken extract from a sort of medicine dropper so that it forms a pool around the stumps. The stumps are held in place during the dropping by sharpened watchmaker's forceps. If the junction is not good it can be broken and another attempt made without any damage to the nerve. The plasma does not penetrate between the cut stumps. It simply forms a clot within which the healing process occurs and which eventually dissolves so that no trace of it is found after two or three weeks.

Before Mr. Young came along severed nerves were stitched together. It turns out that in rabbits and dogs the healing process starts at least a day earlier when the cementing method is used. The severed nerves, moreover, unite better than when they are sewn. Prof. Paul Weiss of the University of Chicago has still another way of joining broken nerves, but he has experimented only with amphibians and rats. In presenting his results in "Science" disapproves of stitching because it "can never be precise enough to prevent masses of fibres from escaping into the surroundings and straying off to uncontrollable destinations." Besides, there is the ticklish business of dealing with nerves which are sometimes only a tiny fraction of an inch in diameter.

Professor Weiss makes a little sleeve of a bit of artery, which is much like rubber tubing in its stretching power. With sharpened watchmaker's forceps he slips the stretched sleeve first over one nerve stump and then over the other. Enough slack is allowed for the stumps to join exactly end to end. The sleeve prevents the straying of nerve fibers and the formation of neuromas or nerve tumors. Both methods require skill but it seems to us that Mr. Young's is the simpler. At any rate, it has been tested with conspicuous success on war sufferers.

Hay Fever Cause Isolated

Recently Prof. Harold A. Abramson, Dr. D. H. Moore (Columbia) and Dr. H. H. Gettner (Mount Sinai) announced at the closing session of the Wilder D. Bancroft Colloid Symposium, held at Cornell University under the auspices of the National Research Council and the American Chemical Society, that they had isolated a colourless component of ragweed pollen which they believed to be one of the major causes of hay fever. This colourless substance contains nitrogen and comprises about 50 to 80 per cent. of the total nitrogen in the pollen. Its molecular weigh (5,000) is low compared with that of albumen (the white part of an egg) Proteins are responsible for some allergies. It follows that sensitivity to pollen and other substances may depend largely on the small size of the allergy-producing molecules which have now been isolated and studied for the first time.

A second low-weight constituent, a highly charged pigment, was also isolated from ragweed pollen extract, and this, too, was active. Both the colourless component and this pigment have high rates of diffusion. The passage of pollen molecules across the mucous membranes of the nose and lungs depends upon the size, shape and electric charge of the active molecules. Studies of the production of hay fever and asthma by ragweed and other pollen therefore involve the determination of the molecular properties of the pollens. While it is well known that air carries the pollen to the nose, the factors which lead to the transport or passage of the active allergy-causing molecules across the mucous membranes have not been so well understood, and studies such as that reported must be continued, Professor Abramson says.

IN PARENTHESIS

Future

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Half Right

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"Huh, what's the advantage of that?"

"Well, two halves make a whole, don't they?"

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Are You Slowing Up?

Do you get easily discouraged?

Do you fall asleep in your hot bath?

Do you find you look in the mirror as little as possible?

Does one small unpleasant incident upset your whole day?

Do you find it increasingly more difficult to remember details?

Do you brood about getting old when all it does is make you older?

When you open the morning paper do you turn first to the obituaries?

Do you invent all sort of excuses to dodge doing setting up exercises?

Are you always putting down gadgets and forgetting where you put them?

Do you find it's taking you longer and longer to get up in the morning?

Do you wear yourself out thinking about chores and end up too tired to do them?

Do you hide valuables in dark and secret places and then forget where you hid them?

Does trash gather in heaps and mounds because you "hate to throw anything away?"

Before you sit down in a chair do you collect everything you'll need for the next two hours?

Do you regard life's greatest pleasures as:

A huge meal?
A week in bed?

Do you get on all fours to look for your pencil, only to find it eventually behind your ear?

Do you clutter up the house with gadgets, souvenirs and things that never worked anyway?

Do you let minor chores prey on your mind and haunt you for days instead of doing them once and for all?

Do you settle yourself in the most comfortable chair and expect your friends to wait on you hand and foot?

Do you find yourself spending less time with the opposite sex and more with powders, pills, liniments and elixirs?

Do you find that puttering and fiddling with your possessions means more to you than getting out and meeting people?

Do you find yourself always postponing things until you have one more cigarette or cup of coffee, and then not doing them at all?

Do you worry about world problems rather than your own, and direct the latest anti-Axis campaign when you really should be planning to clean out the cellar?

Do you dog the footsteps of your guests:

Scuffing out the wrinkles in rugs?
Shutting doors?
Snapping out lights?
Brushing off the furniture?

Do you avoid cold showers like the plague, saying they're only for:

Athletes?
Young people?
Hot Summer days?

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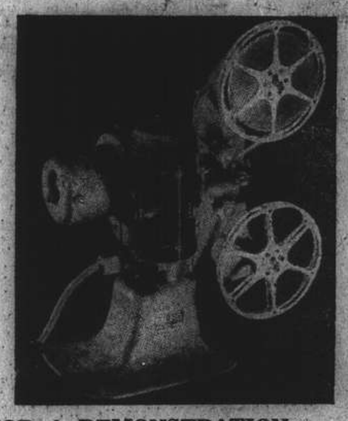

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Heats for Four Shanghai Swimming Championships To Be Staged This Evening

SEVERAL prospective local swimming champions will be giving a preview of their prowess this evening when the heats of the four title events to be held in conjunction with the A.S.F. gala on Saturday will be staged today at 6 p.m. at the A.S.F. pool on Route Dufour. Entrants for these four events are reminded that non-attendance at the heats today will mean disqualification.

The A.S.F. gala on Saturday will be under the patronage of Mr. R. de Margerie, Consul-General for France and though the four Shanghai championship events will be of the main interest to the general public, members of the A.S.F. will also be keenly watching their own swimmers vieing for premier honours in the various A.S.F. championships. The success of the gala is well assured in view of the fact that promises for a large number of prizes to successful participants have already been made.

Heats in the following Shanghai open events and their participants are as follows:—

Men's 220 Yards Free-Style:—R. A. J. Dodd, O. Grebenschikoff, Chen Shing Fu, Zay Zar, D. Maher, J. Turner, S. K. Chung, R. Leonie and George W. Tso.

Men's 220 Yards Free—Style:—R. Hekking, Peter Volegoff, I. Grebenschikoff, A. Griffiths, V. Matulk, G. Stephen, T. S. Chie and C. L. Wen.

Ladies' 50 Yards Back-Stroke:—Misses T. Imergluck, V. M. Dodd, J. B. Peach, M. Bakhnoss, L. Hekking, M. Roche and R. Riege.

Ladies' 50 Yards Breast-Stroke:—Misses T. Imergluck, V. M. Dodd, D. Gray, E. Resek, T. Braun, S. Sharpe; R. Riege.

Close Competition Expected

Although O. Grebenschikoff, R. Hekking, Miss Jill Peach and Miss Doreen Gray appear outstanding in their respective events, some fairly close competition is expected to occur this evening to decide the finalists since only the first two in each heat will qualify for the finals on Saturday.

The only records that may fall—although this achievement is most unlikely—should be in the ladies' events, where last year's winners and record-breakers are again entered.

Next Closing Date

Meanwhile, the Shanghai Amateur Swimming Association has announced that entries for the next champions—to take place at the French Club Gala on Saturday, August 23—close this Saturday, August 16, at noon. All applications must be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. H. Graham, c/o Shanghai Telephone Company, accompanied by the correct fee of $2 per event ($10 for five events or more), before that time as positively no post entries will be accepted.

The five Shanghai championships scheduled for the C.S.F. Gala are as follows:

Men's 440 Yards Free Style.
Junior's (boys 16 years of age and under) 220 Yards Free Style.
Men's 200 Yards Breast Stroke.
Men's 150 Yards Back Stroke.
Ladies' 100 Yards Free Style.

No Fast Times Likely

With the absence of Archie Logan from active swimming and the inability of young Hekking to swim the longer distances—at least for the present—it is difficult to select any promising candidates for the men's 440 yards free style. Certain it is that the event will be one of the most open in years, with one of the city's younger swimmers conceded an excellent chance of emerging victorious. Times, however, are not expected to be above mediocre.

The men's 200 yards breast stroke again brings to the fore O. Grebenschikoff, last year's winner and the only local swimmer to give Dick Hall any competition in recent years. Grebenschikoff is an excellent "stayer" over the longer distances and he should have no difficulty in retaining his title.

Back Stroke Prospects

Without Jackie Lumsdaine to crack the record, the 150 yards men's back stroke is likely to devolve into a tussle between Olaf Strand and Ernie Smith, though neither are likely to even approach Lumsdaine's mark in this event.

Miss Collette Meadmore, who broke the local record for the ladies' 100 yards free style last year at the A.S.F. pool can be expected to repeat this performance at the French Club Gala on the 23rd. She appears to be the only outstanding free style swimmer in the city today.

Week-End Teams

Cricket

Shanghai Cricket Club

Stragglers (v. Colts, Saturday, S.R.C. Ground, 1.45 p.m., Leauge):—A. C. Sinclair (Capt.), J. B. Brown, W. V. K. Chadwick, A. V. T. Dean, J. C. Jenkins, H. E. Orr, T. C. G. Pearson, J. W. Pote-Hunt, P. V. Simpson, E. J. Sluis, T. H. Wood. Reserves: E. A. Weidman, D. O. Minle-Day, R. E. H. Nielson. Umpire: P. J. Hart. Scorer: W. H. Brown.

Wanderers (v. Tyros, Saturday, S.C.C. Ground, 1.45 p.m., League):—D. W. Leach (Capt.), E. R. Duckitt, G. B. Elliot, A. Graham, F. Marshall, H. H. Morris, G. S. Dunkley, K. M. Pate, R. U. Reynolds, L. F. Stokes, L. Underwood. Reserves: G. C. Large, R. C. Corfield. Umpire: Rev. F. Weaver. Scorer: R. G. Penfold.

An S.C.C. XI (v. An S.R.C. XI, Sunday, S.C.C. Ground, Friendly):—H. A. Crickmer (Capt.), R. C. Corfield, A. W. Pettit, F. A. Pitts, J. C. Greenfield, G. C. Large, W. Marsay, D. L. Milne Day, G. J. Read, H. Rogerson, E. A. Weidman. Reserves: A. J. Harvey, R. F. Scott, A. R. Turner, W. Brankin. Umpire: A. Lingard. Scorer: J. R. Kale.

S.C.C. (v. H. M. Navy, Thursday and Friday, 5.15 p.m. each day):—A. Lingard (Capt.), J. B. Brown, R. A. Black, L. G. Day, J. R. Kale, P. N. Knight, S. A. Grew, R. Gates, W. B. Sim, J. A. G. L. Smith, E. Toeg. Reserves: D. L. Blix, K. J. Flemons, A. J. Harvey, A. R. Turner. Umpire: P. J. Hart.

S.R.C. Tyros (v. S.C.C. Wanderers, Saturday, S.C.C. ground, 1.45 pm.):—N. Hart-Baker (Capt.), E. B. Brodd, E. Caro, T. Katemopoulos, F. R. Kermani, A. A. Kliene, H. P. Madar, L. Marcal, H. Meston, M. U. Mohideen, E. Tivoniuk. Reserve: E. Kidby. Umpire: A. G. B. Carnell. Scorer: E. Kidby.

S.R.C. Colts (v. S.C.C. Stragglers, Saturday, Recs ground, 1.45 p.m.):—P. Madar (Capt.), V. T. Barma, T. Buckley, A. F. Gomes, E. Grundt, D. F. Harris, T. Leriou, L. P. Quincey, C. Y. Smith, A. Symons, T. W. R. Wilson. Reserve: J. H. Anderson. Umpire: O. Strome. Scorer: M. J. Johnston.

Shanghai Recreation Club

An S.R.C. XI (v. An S.C.C. XI, Sunday, S.C.C. ground, 1.45 p.m.):—J. H. Anderson (Capt.), G. Kormiloff, R. N. Manley, M. U. Mohideen, E. Kidby, W. Quincey, M. J. Johnston, L. J. Wade, A. England, J. A. Watson, A. Honniball. Reserve: G. Ryan.

Parsee Cricket Club

Parsee C.C. (v. Police R.C., Saturday, League, 1.45 p.m. Police ground):—M. J. Divecha (Capt.), S. F. Shroff, P. M. Charna, S. M. Charna, H. P. Karanjia, S. P. Karanjia, J. S. Kuka, N. N. Mehta, A. B. Tata, J. B. Tata, B. R. Viccajee. Reserves: E. R. Viccajee, K. F. Shroff.

Dom DiMaggio Hit By "Bean Ball"

New York, Aug. 12.

Dom DiMaggio, Boston Red Sox centre fielder, was hit on the back of his head by a pitched ball in the ninth inning of yesterday's Yankee-Red Sox game.

He was hit by the Yankee rookie, Charlie Stanceau, and received first aid on the field and then left the game. The extent of his injury was not immediately determined.

Meanwhile, Cardinal outfielder Enos Slaughter suffered a fractured collar-bone in Sunday's second game with the Pittsburgh Pirates and he would probably be out for the remainder of the season, an official of the St. Louis club said last night.—United Press.

£42,000 Is Put Into "Tote" at Newmarket

More than £42,000 was put through the Totalisator in the two days' Racing at Newmarket in the week April 29 to May 2, about two thirds of the takings of £67,130 on the Two Thousand and One Thousand Guineas days at Newmarket in the season before the war. Betting in the rings probably equalled the Tote figure.

Yearlings Go Cheap

Racing men, however, declare that without public support the Racing industry must die. Yearlings in England are already being knocked down at £5 and £10, many of them to horse slaughterers.

Betting on dogs, in which there is no great export trade, is far greater than on horses. The proportion of ready-money betting is increasing, because in that way the better avoids income tax. There is no way of tracing a man's net "earnings" as a habitual backer in cash. Income Tax authorities in England assess backers on their general standard of living, but this can easily be camouflaged.

Red Cochrane to Meet Lew Jenkins

New York, Aug. 12.

Red Cochrane, welterweight champion of the world, has been matched against Lew Jenkins for a non-title bout at Madison Square Garden on October 3.—Havas Telemondial.

Girls' Softball Games

Saturday

p.m.
5.45 A.S.P. "A" v. Foreign "Y" Reds (sabd)

Sunday

a.m.
8.20 Lantern v. Telephones (kp. 1)
8.20 Ching Woo v. Erin-Villa "B" (kp. 2)
8.20 F.M.C. v. Rangers (fmc)
10.00 C.S.F. v. J.A.C. (kp. 2)
10.15 China v. British Empire (kp. 1)—Friendly

Tuesday, August 19

p.m.
5.45 Mollers Ltd. v. Erin-Villa "A" (ev)
5.45 A.S.P. "B" v. C.C.C. (ccc)
5.45 Foreign "Y" v. Race Clubbers (rc)
5.45 Texaco v. A.S.P., "A" (pcc)

Wednesday, August 20

6.00 A.S.P. "C" v. Telephones (rg)

Thursday, August 21

6.00 Erin-Villa "B" v. F.M.C. (rg)

German Sportsman Falls On Battlefield

Berlin, Aug. 11.

Major Louis Stubbendorf the winner of equitation events in the Olympic Games of 1936 was killed in action on the Eastern front.—Havas Telemondial.

Dashes Canadian Hopes

Hopes of a Canadian winning the Canadian Open Golf Championship for the first time since 1914 were never so bright as in this year's competition when Robert Gray led the field at the end of the first round. But steady Sam Snead, the American defending champion, dashed these hopes by pushing the Canadian into second place.

Canadian Golf Crown Retained By Sam Snead

Toronto, Aug. 11.

Playing superlative golf Sam Snead, American holder, won the Canadian Open Golf championship for the second successive year on Saturday after a thrilling duel with Robert Gray, a local professional.

Snead finished with an aggregate of 274, made up of rounds of 71, 68, 66 and 69, with Gray two strokes behind with rounds of 70, 65, 70 and 71.

Gordon Bryson, of Toronto, was third with a total of 278, with rounds of 73, 70, 68 and 67.

Snead, who got an eagle three at the 15th, was in terrific form throughout, securing four birdies and a bogey four at the 18th, where he drove into the sand trap.

Thrilling Fight

Gray's brilliant display in the early rounds had raised hopes that the title would return to Canada for the first time since 1914, but Gray is a notorious hot-and-cold golfer, rising at times to heights of brilliance to descend only to moderate golf on other occasions. Nevertheless his fight on this occasion thrilled Canadians.

In the last round Gray was in trouble at the third, where he was out of bounds and required a six, compared with par four. He then steadied up and got three birdies between the ninth and 16th holes, with a huge crowd roaring at every shot. At the 17th he needed a birdie to tie with Snead but got only bogey. He missed a 15-foot putt at the 18th. —Reuter.

Chinese Outboxes World Champion

Honolulu, Aug. 12.

David Young, youthful Honolulu-born Chinese boxer, decisively beat the world flyweight champion, Little Dado, of Manila, in a ten-round nontitular bout here last night.

Young completely outslugged his more experienced opponent, taking six out of the ten rounds.

The Chinese weight 117 pounds while Dado weighed 116, both well over the flyweight limit.—United Press.

Erin Villa Girls Come Within Ace of Losing

The Race Clubbers came within an ace of scoring one of the biggest upsets in the Erin Villa Invitation Softball League when they caught the combination of the Erin Villa squad at a low ebb yesterday and just lost by the narrow margin of one run, the final scoring reading 5-4 in favour of the Villa ladies. The winners, though emerging victorious, played listlessly throughout and did not produce the same scintillating brand of softball which they did when they clashed with the A.S.P. "A".

On the whole, far closer tussles than was generally expected were seen yesterday when two other "A" division fixtures were played off. The A.S.P. "A" did not encounter very much opposition in defeating Mollers' Ltd., but in comparison to the two-figure totals they have been running up in their previous games, the count of 9-1 may be said to be comparatively close.

At the diamond of the Columbia Country Club, the home team succumbed to the heavier bats of Texaco who turned the tables on the Columbians with a 7-4 count. The fixture between the Foreign "Y" Reds and the second stringers of the A.S.P. was not played as the Parsee Club ground was too wet.

Promising Pitcher

Taking things almost too easily the Erin Villa girls found unexpected strong opposition in the Race Clubbers. Though the final score was 5-4, the winners still had one inning to spare. Dorothy Quelch took the mound and did well to have allowed only scattered hits. She appears to have the makings of a first class pitcher but in the meantime she requires a bit of coaching and more experience. She struck out no less than ten batters yesterday.

"Girlie" Ellis was again a veritable pillar of strength. Her fielding was unusually good while her batting she was far more consistent than that of any other player.

Star for Race Club

On the other side, Edith Sullivan was outstanding at short-stop. her sure stoppages of grounders and accurate throws to first base proving the downfall of many an Erin Villa batter.

The Race Clubbers made a desperate comeback in the final frame but despite chalking up three runs they were unable to draw up to the winners. Edith Sullivan played an important role in the rally with her three-bag hit.

Ragged Tussle

The Mollers' Ltd. and the A.S.P. "A" tilt was rather ragged as the latter were quite confident of victory and therefore played a totally indifferent game. The Portuguese first used their crack hurler Verna Remedios and when they had garnered five runs and the issue was literally sealed, Nadia Canavarro relieved her.

Things looked very rosy indeed for the Columbians when they led the Texaco squad 4-2, until the fifth inning but a devastating spurt by the latter in the sixth canto combined with several fielding errors by the losers saw the Texaco representatives running wild to register five runs.

Box scores follow:—

Race Club	0	1	0	0	0	0	3—4
Erin Villa	1	0	2	1	1	0	x—5
Mollers Ltd.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0—1
A.S.P. "A"	3	0	2	0	4	0	0—9
Texaco	1	0	0	1	0	5	0—7
C.C.C.	3	0	1	0	0	0	0—4

Shows He Can Hit 'Em Too

A terror to batters when he walks up to the pitcher's box, "Dud" Squires is almost just as much a terror to rival fielders when he picks up the bat. He is seen above helping to drive in the runs for the Bucs when they disposed of the "Y" Cubs by 9-2 on Monday.

British Empire Girls Starting Softball Practice on Sunday

Grimly determined to win the crown which they came up so close to winning last year when they lost to Portugal in the final, the British Empire softball squad are losing no time in opening their practice for this year's International Series which is due to start on August 30.

The following players will represent the British Empire in a practice game against China this Sunday at the Kiaochow Park. Those listed below are requested to notify Miss Girlie Ellis, 362 Hamilton House, Telephone 14690, if they are unable to play. Meanwhile, those able to play should be at the Kiaochow Park not later than 10 a.m.

Misses Mary Lachlan (A.S.P.); Joan Picozzi, Betty Gray (C.C.C.); Edith Sullivan, Vera Dodd, Mrs. Vera Elliott (R.C.) Misses Ann Letchford, Edith Furniss (Texaco); Naju Sarkeri, Dorothy Quincey, Edna Savage, Connie Edwards, Alice Chue, Lily Beale, Lois Ellis (Erin Villa); Margie Richardson (Foreign "Y"); Nellie Wilson (Telephone).

Mohammedans Qualify in Indian Soccer Tourney

Calcutta, Aug. 11.

The Mohammedan Sporting Club has qualified for the semi-final in the I.F.A. Shield football tournament by beating the Calcutta Football Club by four goals to one.—Reuter.

Dodgers Swamp Giants 15-7 To Keep Hair's Breadth Lead Over Dangerous Cards

New York, Aug. 12.

FOR the fifth consecutive day, the Brooklyn Dodgers today continued to lead the National League by a fraction of a game.

Brooklyn downed the New York Giants 15 to 7 while the second place St. Louis Cards continued their fast pace by defeating the Chicago Cubs 7 to 5.

Brooklyn has won 69 games and lost 37 while the St. Louis outfit has won 70 games but has lost 88. They are separated by .003 per cent.

The Dodgers started with a bang, scoring seven runs in the first inning. Single scores were added in the fourth and fifth frames and in the sixth the total was brought to 15 with a six run rally.

Breaks Down in Ninth

Walt Higbe hurled throughout for Brooklyn and held the Giants scoreless until the sixth inning. In the last frame he let down and permitted five runners to cross the plate.

The Cards, with Lon Warneke hurling most of the game, led throughout after piling up four runs in the second inning. The big inning for Chicago was the fifth when they pushed over four of their five runs.

Contesting Hurlers

Warneke and Harry Gumbert worked on the mound for St. Louis and allowed seven hits as compared to eight safeties permitted by Larry French and Jake Mooty.

The Philadelphia Phillies won their 28th game of the season by defeating the Boston Braves 6 to 3. The Phillies ran up a four run lead in the second inning and Walt Beck limited the Braves to nine hits.

The mighty New York Yankees were humbled 8 to 0 by the Boston Red Sox when Jack Wilson turned them back with four hits.

Yankees Backslide

In halting the Yankees' winning streak the Boston club shaved down the New York clubs American League lead to thirteen and one-half games. They are fifteen and one-half games ahead of the third place Red Sox.

Boston nicked two Yank hurlers for 14 hits and their big inning was the fourth when they pushed over half a dozen runs.

The fourth place Chicago White Sox divided a twin bill with the St. Louis Browns, taking the opener 14 to 9 and dropping the second game 10 to 3.

Powerful Rallies

The Chicago Sox were trailing in the seventh but came through with powerful rallies to win the game by a big margin. The big inning was the eighth when six Chicago runs were scored.

In the second game George Caster limited the Chisox to 11 hits while St. Louis scored 17 safe blows. The Browns collected eight of their runs in the first two innings. Rain postponed the game at Detroit between the Tigers and Cleveland Indians.

Box scores:—

American League

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	8	14	1
New York	0	4	1

Batteries: Wilson and Peacock; Breuer, Stanceu and Dickey.

St. Louis	9	14	2
Chicago	14	14	1

(first game)

Batteries: Auker, Trotter, Newline and Swift; Rigney, Appleton and Tresh.

St. Louis	10	17	2
Chicago	3	11	2

(second game)

Batteries: Caster and Ferrell; Ross, Haynes and Turner.

Cleveland-Detroit postponed because of rain.

Washington-Philadelphia will play later date.

National League

Chicago	5	7	0
St. Louis	7	8	1

Batteries: French, Mooty and George; Warneke, Gumbert and Mancuso.

Philadelphia	6	15	1
Boston	3	9	3

Batteries: Beck and Warren; Lamanna, Hutchings, Posedel and Berres, Montgomery.

New York	7	7	1
Brooklyn	15	17	2

Batteries: Carpenter, Bowman, Adams and Danning; Higbe and Owen.—United Press.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

American League

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	74	37	.667
Cleveland	50	48	.547
Boston	57	51	.528
Chicago	56	54	.509
Detroit	50	57	.467
Philadelphia	49	58	.458
Washington	43	61	.413
St. Louis	43	64	.402

National League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	69	37	.651
St. Louis	70	38	.648
Pittsburgh	58	46	.558
Cincinnati	56	48	.538
New York	49	52	.485
Chicago	46	61	.436
Boston	44	61	.419
Philadelphia	28	77	.267

—United Press.

Woman Bowler Rolls Triple of 662

Mrs. Nancy Huff, who began bowling only two years ago, rolled the third highest singles series in the 24-year history of the Women's International Bowling Congress.

Without a miss in her 30 frames, the Los Angeles woman rolled 662, to take first place by 28 pins. She started with 276, only one less than the W.I.B.C. one-game record established on May 5 by Mrs. Marian Gorman, of Detroit. The Congress 30-frame record is 712, rolled by Marie Clemenson of Chicago in 1934.

Mrs. Huff, mother of a 7-year-old daughter, opened with a double, spared, then hit eight straight strikes. Her other scores were 192 and 194.

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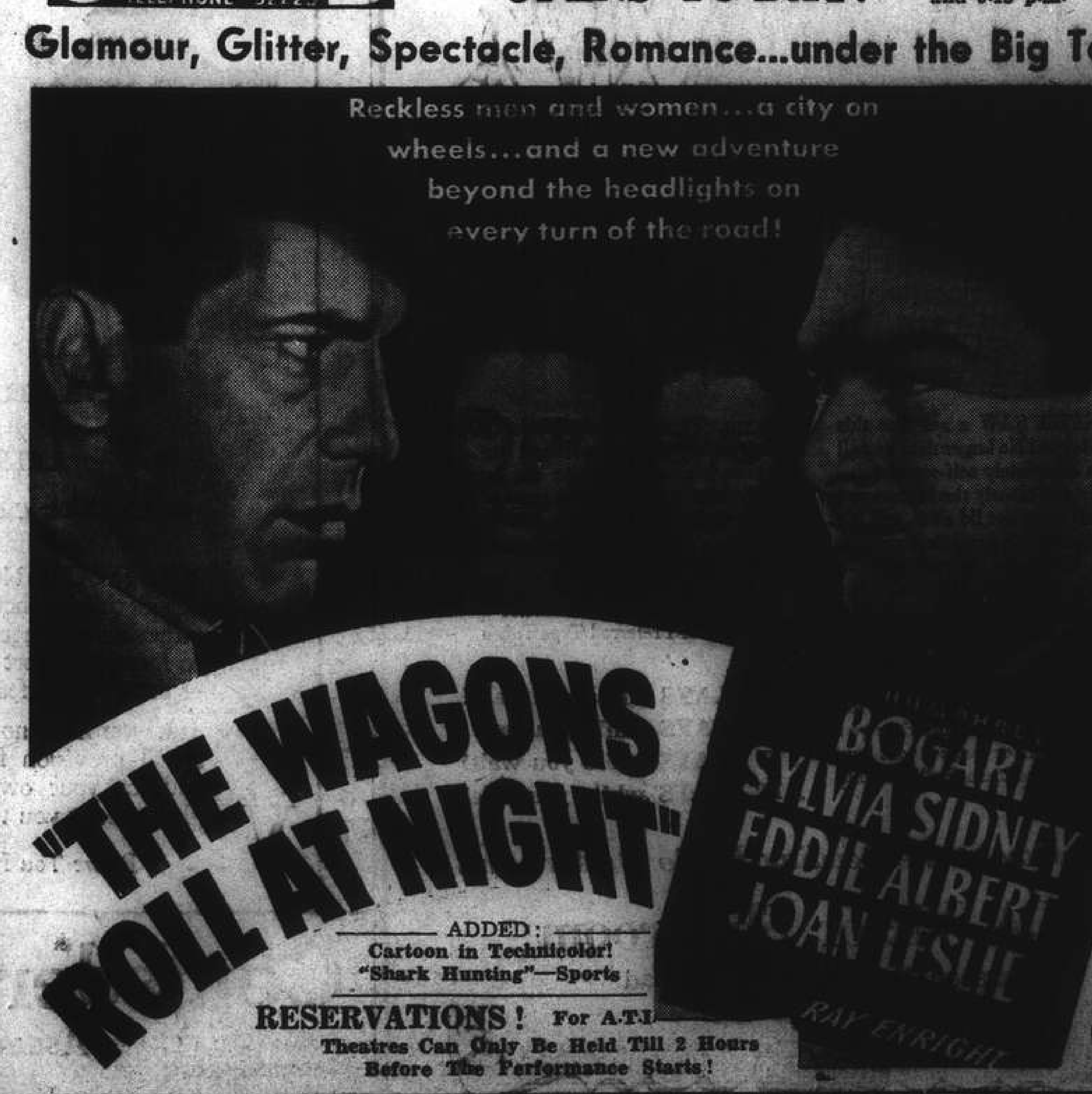

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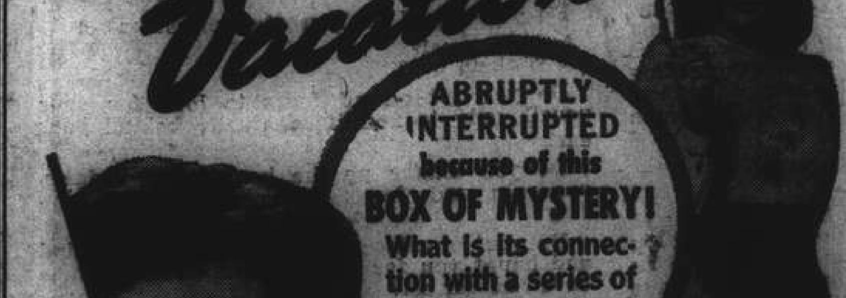

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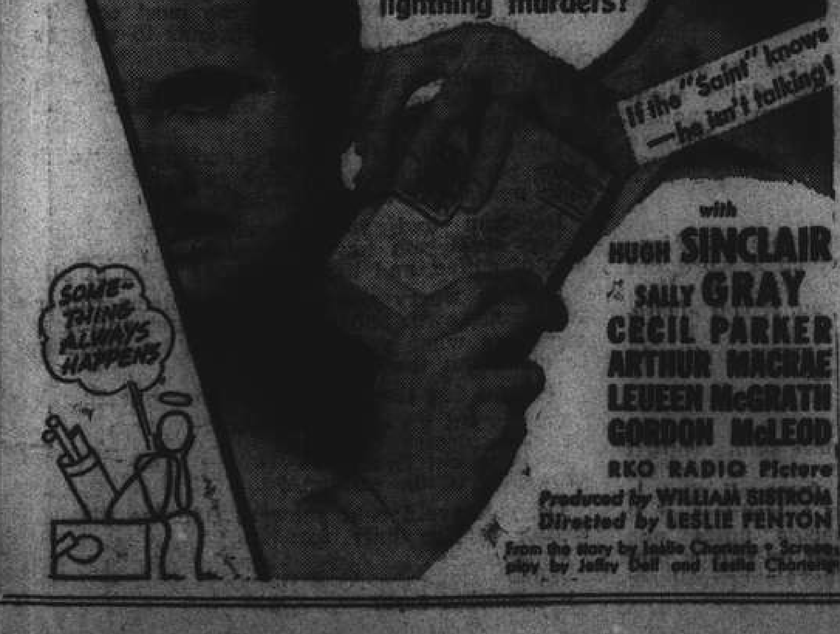

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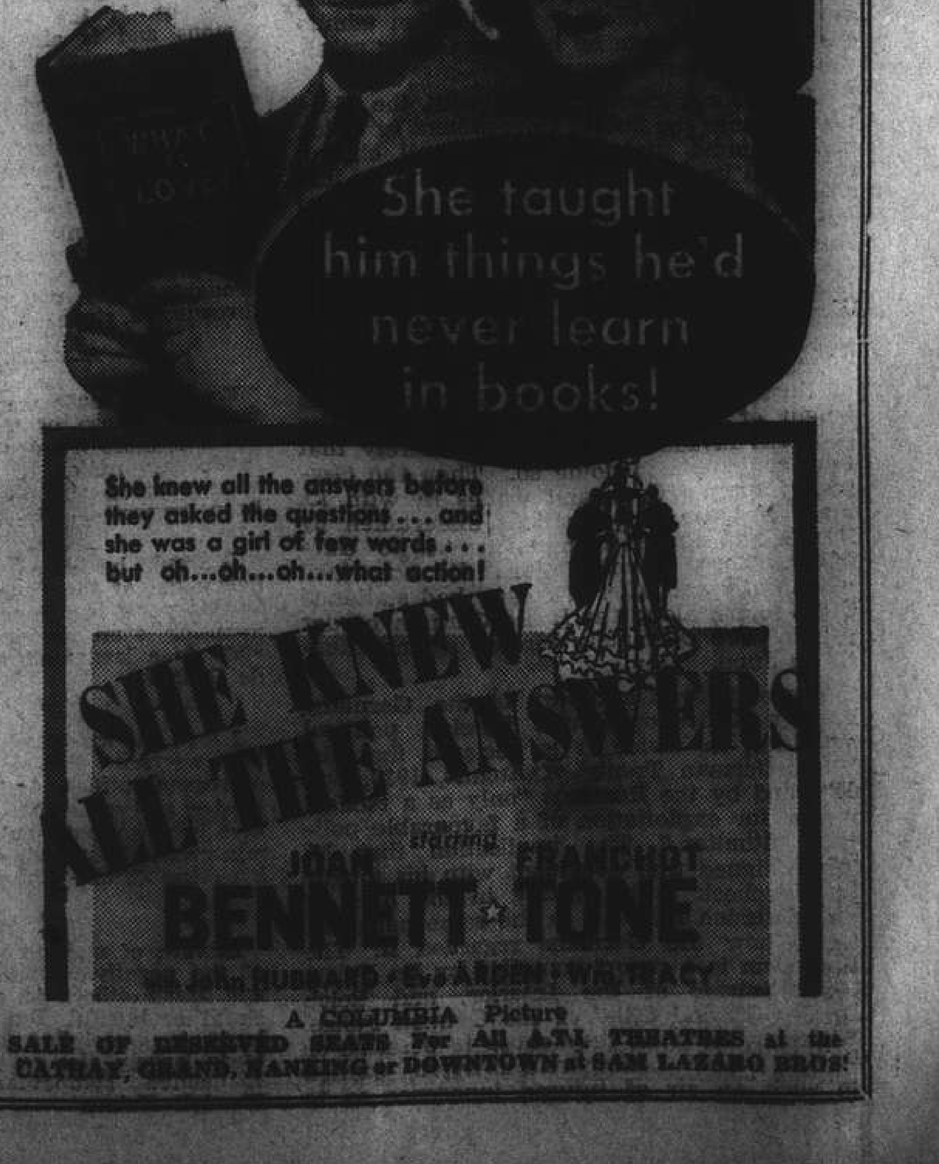

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No Change in Russo-Japanese Relations Apparent

Changchun, Aug. 12.

ALTHOUGH Far Eastern interest today seems to be centred o the south Pacific rather than here, it cannot be said that the is any outstanding change in Russo-Japanese relations, at least n as viewed from within the confines of Manchoukuo, whose offici utterances inevitably re-echo Tokyo's sentiments.

However, the tension which follow ed Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka's departu from the Cabinet a few weeks ag has now noticeably lessened Rumours emanating from Shangh that new Russo-Japanese negotiatio were taking place were emphatica denied by a high official of the Ma choukuoan Foreign Office in an i terview with Reuters. He added th the border situation was peaceful, an that the Nomonhan demarcation co ference, which is being held on th actual frontier, continued to wor harmoniously.

All Government officials interviev ed by Reuters emphasized that sr precautionary activity which mig be apparent in Manchoukuo was o purely defensive nature.

Meanwhile, the Russo-German co flict arouses the greatest interest i this part of the world and each pha of this monster battle is splashed o the front-pages of all newspapers.

Events Closely Followed

Foreign communities in Manchoukuo follow events closely, particularly the British and American colonies whose unenviable position cannot b denied. These circles generally e press the opinion that if sparks mu fly then the tinder-box is more like to be in the south than in the nort Britons in Manchoukuo, excludin the Kwantung Leased Territor number nearly 300, comprising 220 the Mukden Consular Distric 70 in the Harbin District. majority of them are missionaries Americans number about 75.

Manchoukuo's precautionary activities for obvious reasons cannot be published but it may be stated that they include certain travelling restrictions, which are unavoidable at the present time, and also occasional air-raid practices in cities.

Manchoukuo follows Tokyo step by step regarding the freezing of assets of various countries, but in this connection restrictions are said to have been eased recently, and certain Manchoukuoan firms with British or American capital have been allowed to resume operations.—Reuter.

Japan Girding Loins for Full Economic War

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

From Siberia to the Netherlands East Indies developments yesterday indicated that Japan was girding herself for a full scale economic war. These developments included:

1. Approval of four ordinances to the general Japanese mobilization act designed to shift the nation economically and financially to a full war footing.

2. The Statement made by Mr. Kaname Wakasugi, Japanese Minister to Washington, who now is in Los Angeles, that the United States was much concerned regarding Thailand's future position and that Americans "seem prepared with resolution," after arranging to enforce "step by step all counter-measures against any action Japan may take."

"Hochi" Report

3. The "Hochi" report that the United States proposed that she and Russia take concerted defensive measures if a "Third Power" attacked the Netherlands East Indies.

4. Reports—officially discounted—that Japan indicated she refused to permit United States war supplies to reach Vladivostok on the grounds that such materials might be designed for China.

5. Despatches from Japanese occupied Saigon announcing that the bulk of the Japanese expeditionary force was sent to Cambodia which borders Thailand.

Mr. Wakasugi's statement was made by telephone to the "Nichi Nichi." The statement was received with great interest as it coincided with increasing reports that the United States, Britain, Russia and China were cooperating.

The Imperial Council approved four ordinances affecting stock exchange operations, shipping and appraisal of corporation owned stocks as well as price control affecting more than 7,000 articles.—United Press.

Two-Ocean Fleet to Be Ready by 1944

Washington, Aug. 12.

A Navy spokesman declared today that the fleet-building speed-up, which was cutting construction time of new warships on an average of twelve-one-half per cent. for each vessel, will give the United States a two-ocean fleet two years earlier than scheduled.

He said that barring labour troubles or actual war, the Navy will be "substantially ready" by 1944 instead of 1946 or 1947. He added that although some of the 17 battleships authorized and, perhaps, certain other large units still will be uncompleted, the United States by 1944 should have the world's most powerful fleet ready "for any possible combination" of Powers.

The spokesman said that the triple shift work in Navy yards, authorization of overtime pay, and the new worker training programme have begun to show results in accelerated deliveries which began to reach their peak in June and July. The Government is paying for overtime in 14 private plants building warships whose contracts are let on a basis of a 40-hour week, he said.

Launchings Every Week

During the June and July period vessels were launched almost every week with keels laid on 38 submarines, while eight warships, including the South Dakota, were launched, the spokesman revealed.

Indications point that in accordance with repeated recommendations from the Secretary of Navy Col. Frank Knox, emphasis is being laid on the destroyer programme at the expense of heavier ships.

It will be recalled that the Mare Island Navy Yard recently reported that the submarine fleet under construction there was from two months to a full year ahead of schedule.—Domei.

Asama Maru Returning To Japan

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Information Board, disclosed to foreign correspondents at today's press conference that the Asama Maru which is at present on the open sea will return to Japan without touching San Francisco.

Mr. Ishii said that he could not definitely say when Japanese shipping would resume sailings to the United States, and added that at present there were no Japanese ships detained on the Pacific coast of the United States or the Panama Canal zone.

He said that both the United States and Japan realized the inconvenience of the shipping situation. He added, however that he had no official report regarding the conversation between Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, and Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Ambassador, on the shipping question.—Domei.

Japanese Fleet Units Enter Saigon Harbour

Saigon, Aug. 11.

Units of the Japanese fleet entered Saigon harbour this afternoon and were greeted by Major-General Raishiro Sumita, head of the Japanese Military Mission to Indo-China; Mr. Fujio Minota, Japanese Consul-General at Saigon; Captain Kanei Chudo, Japanese Army representative, and other Japanese military, diplomatic and civilian officials.—Domei.

Special Japanese Envoy For Indo-China

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Japan is to send a special envoy with full rank of ambassador to Indo-China "in order to strengthen the friendly ties between the two countries."

The Vichy Government has accepted this Japanese proposal, which is, in the words of Hanoi's official statement, "in keeping with the spirit of joint defence of Indo-China as concluded between Japan and France."—Reuter.

"Embarrassing" for Japan If U.S. Aids Soviet Union

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Information Board, today reiterated to foreign correspondents that Japan would be embarrassed if the United States shipped war materials to the Soviet Union through Vladivostok. Mr. Ishii, however, failed to explain the meaning of "embarrassed."

Asked whether or not Japan had warned the United States not to send supplies through Vladivostok, Mr. Ishii said that he did not believe so. He added, however, that there was no difference whether Soviet Union or United States vessels brought the supplies to Vladivostok.—Domei.

Koh Ishii Agrees With Thai Statement

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Information Board, indicated at today's press conference that Japan agreed with the Thai Government's statement stressing that no foreign Power had made demands on Thailand for military bases, and expressed the belief that Thailand again had reemphasized her neutrality because of the continued circulation of unfavourable rumours.

Mr. Ishii disclosed that a Japanese envoy to French Indo-China, who would be of ambassadorial rank, had been selected. He refused to give his name.

The spokesman refused to divulge details of yesterday's conversations between the Foreign Minister, Admiral Teijiro Toyoda, and the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, stressing that it was a routine visit.

Asked whether or not Mr. Joseph C. Grew, United States Ambassador, was due to call on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ishii replied in the negative.—Domei.

Thailand to Create New Ministry

Bangkok, Aug. 11.

It was reliably learned that the Thai Goverment will soon create a Ministry of Communications.

The new Ministry will have jurisdiction over railways, postal service, telegraph, harbours, air transportation, motor highways, as well as other communication departments, most of which are at present under the Ministry of Economic Affairs.

Candidates mentioned as most probable choices for the ministerial post are Colonel Luang Seri Reungriddhi, Director-General of State Railways, and Luang Kovid Aphaivongse, Director-General of Post and Telegraph Department.—Domei.

Japanese Evacuating Malaya

Singapore, Aug. 12.

Japanese nationals are evacuating Malaya by the International Express to Bangkok. The evacuation is stated to be due to the closing of Japanese businesses and reduction of the staff of big Japanese firms following the freezing order.

It is reported that a request has been made to the Japanese Government for a special ship to evacuate about 300 nationals in Singapore.—Reuter.

Ecuador to Investigate Kiyokawa Maru Incident

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The Ecuador Government has promised investigation and adoption of suitable measures regarding the illegal action taken on August 2 against the Kiyokawa Maru, and also has pledged non-interference with Japanese vessels within its territorial waters, according to a wire received by the Foreign Office from Mr. Tsuneo Yanai, Japanese Minister to Ecuador.

It will be recalled that Japan filed vigorous protests through Mr. Yanai with regard to the Kiyokawa Maru incident, as well as other alleged anti-Japanese actions for which the Ecuador Government has apologized.—Domei.

British Fighter Gets Overhaul

in Malaya, subscribed enough money to buy two fighter aircraft for g one of them, with her name on the fuselage, having a thorough cleaning in the Western Desert.

London, Aug. 12.

The inflammable situation in the Far East forms the theme of leaders in the "Daily Telegraph" and the "Daily Mail," the latter describing it as "nearly at flash point."

The "Telegraph" says: "Japan's militarists have chosen to defy the British Commonwealth and the United States, threatening an attack on the vital interests of both in the hope that with energies concentrated on the European struggle and the Middle East the two great Democracies may let the Pacific go by default.

"The Japanese military junto delight to imitate the Führer and perhaps still believe in his star but Japan will risk nothing to save Hitler from defeat. While Nazi legions are embedded in the Russian plains the wheels of Japan's chariots in Manchoukuo will tarry. How much the Japanese oligarchy will venture in the south against Thailand, against Singapore and beyond depends on their estimate of the strength which aggression would encounter.

"A large-scale offensive by land, air and sea some 3,000 miles away from Japanese ports is an enterprise from which even leaders responsible for the interminable wastage of Japan's strength in China might shrink."

Great Deal of Bluff

The "Daily Mail" suggests that Japan is undecided whether to march against the Russians or Thailand, adding: "Perhaps there is a great deal of bluff in the threats she is making in both directions. If so further warning is needed that bluff of this description carried to the extremes now manifest is likely to take charge of the bluffer and create a position where the only move possible is forward.

"Those whom Japan threatens are not treating it as bluff. They are making stern last-hour preparations to resist attack jointly as they have already given joint warnings. The United States will take leadership in any action in the Pacific whether of a diplomatic or war-like character and we are well content with this. We as well as Australia are prepared to take any necessary action in defence of our imperial interests. We shall be ready to conform it to a more comprehensive plan.

"Undoubtedly Hitler considers the moment for Japanese action well chosen, probably by himself. When the German forces are meeting fierce opposition in Russia is the time to create a diversion not only of the Russian forces but also of American armaments from Britain and Russia to the menace in the Pacific. So Hitler undoubtedly thinks. So perhaps Japan thinks. But we remind ourselves and them that in the face of realities the ultimate success of any such desperate gamble is impossible and the cost enormous."—Reuter.

Faintly Hopeful

London, Aug. 12.

The rising tension in the Far East today found the London press faintly hopeful that war with Japan would be averted.

The hope was based on the telephonic interview given the Tokyo "Nichi Nichi" by Mr. Kaname Wakasugi, adviser to Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Ambassador to Washington, from Los Angeles.

Mr. Wakasugi warned the Japanese people that the United States was prepared for the next Japanese move and said that it was his belief that the United States would throw in her full strength when she would go to war if Japan continued her policy of aggression.

Hopeful Indication

"The Times," in an editorial discussing Mr. Wakasugi's remarks, said, "It is one of a few hopeful indications in the present crisis."

"The Times" also believed that the "interview is said to have made a deep impression in Tokyo, especially since it follows a Japanese press message from London expressing the conviction that Britain is ready to fight for her interests in the Far East."

"The "Daily Express" similarly expressed such hopes, publishing the interview under a glaring headline, "Japan Warned by Phone."

It asserted that there were indications that Tokyo was pausing to reflect prior to making a final plunge in the south.—United Press.

Mexico Taking Precautions

Mexico City, Aug. 12.

The Government is quietly taking all precautions to avoid any political disturbances which might involve Nazi organizations, such as was recently the case in Bolivia, it was learned from reliable sources yesterday.

It was reported that the Secretary of Defence was getting good response to his recent order disarming unauthorized persons throughout Mexico.

He also circularized the President's recent order restricting public manifestations.

The orders, it was understood, were aimed against the powerful and allegedly pro-Nazi Sinarquistas, which is a four-year-old nationalistic organization.

Meanwhile, there was not the slightest evidence of any trouble.—United Press.

Four C.P.C's Get Police Medals

Four Chinese members of the Shanghai Municipal Police, C.P.C. 498 Chin Chih-chin, C.P.C. 2429 Chu Jen-hui, C.P.C. 2104 Liu Wan-hsuan, and C.P.C. 29 Sun Yu-hai, have been awarded Police Distinguished Conduct Medals Class II for courage and efficiency shown in line of duty. The unanimous recommendations of the Permanent Awards Board, endorsed by Commissioner of Police, has been approved by the Shanghai Municipal Council.

C.P.C. 1498 was on duty in the vicinity of a Chinese pawnshop at 6.30 p.m. on May 10, when he was informed that an armed robber was on the premises. The policeman obtained the assistance of two other C.P.C's and telephoned the station. When a police party arrived a few minutes later and ordered the robber to surrender, the latter made a dash for liberty, but was wounded by C.P.C. 1498 before he had time to go into action. At the station, the arrested man stated that he intended to kill the proprietor of the pawnshop, because the latter dismissed him in 1939. The pistol, according to the robber, came into his possession while he was with a guerilla band.

Battle with Gang

C.P.C. 2429 was decorated for his part taken in a shooting affray with armed robbers at about 11 p.m. on May 17. The affray was preceded by an armed robbery, perpetrated by six men, four of them armed, at a Chinese shop. During the robbery, one of the shop assistants reported the crime to the C.P.C. who, summoning five other policemen, challenged the gang. Three members of the gang were wounded and arrested, one with the cooperation of the French Police.

On July 1, at about 12 noon, Mr. Ang Mei-ying, wealthy Chinese ship chandler, was accosted by an armed man on Hoopeh Road near Hatkow Road just as he was alighting from his car. The criminal tried to push his would-be victim into the car, but failed to do so when the latter resisted. Angered at the turn of events, the armed man fired a shot but missed Mr. Ang. He then took to flight.

The man raised an alarm, attracting the attention of C.P.C. 2104, who wounded and arrested the offender.

C.P.C. 29 was awarded the medal for arresting an armed highwayman on July 16, after the man, in company with four others, robbed two assistants of a cigarette hong of $44,000. The crime was committed at the corner of Taku and Race Course Roads, and the arrested man was shadowed by the victims. He was later pointed out to the policeman, who jumped at the robber when the latter attempted to shoot him, and disarmed him.

Two Axis Ships Leave Thai Waters

Bangkok, Aug. 12.

Two Axis cargo ships, one German vessel and the other an Italian freighter, aggregating 10,000 tons, slipped off on Friday night and are believed to be sailing for Saigon, according to reports received here today. The ships had been sheltering in the Gulf of Thailand since the outbreak of the European war.

The whereabouts of two Thai customs officers on duty aboard is unknown.

Two Italian vessels are still taking refuge in Thai territorial waters.

It is understood that a new Ministry of Communications to take over control of railways, trunk roads, post, telegraphs, wireless and other allied departments is under consideration by the Government.—Reuter.

Economic Crisis in Philippines Seen

Washington, Aug. 12.

Philippine economic situation is much more serious than commonly understood here and it may approach the crisis stage unless the shipping shortage is relieved, according to reports reaching high official circles today.

Some officials foresee the possible necessity of taking drastic steps, either at Washington or Manila, to meet the situation.

Sr. Joaquin Elizalde, Philippine Resident Commissioner, who has canvassed views on the situation in conferences with Manila officials, was understood to be weighing how he best may submit a true picture of the situation to Federal officials.—United Press.

Thailand Desires Joint Defence—Tokyo Report

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The Japanese news agency, Domei, in a despatch from Bangkok, today said that informed Thai quarters believe that it would be necessary for Japan to give Thailand joint defence assurances to counteract the British pressure against the country.

Mr. Koh Ishii, deputy spokesman for the Cabinet Information Board, however, said that thus far Japan had not received an official Thai request of such nature. He said that he believed that no Power had requested Thailand for bases thus far.—United Press.

Japanese Allege Soviet-Chungking Military Pact

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The Japanese news agency Domei, in a despatch from Nanking yesterday, said that upon Anglo-American instigation Chungking last June proposed to Moscow a Sino-Soviet military alliance.

Domei said that the alliance would have been based upon the following terms:

1. Soviet military advisers and Anglo-American military advisers for the Chungking army.

2. Establishment of a liaison between Chungking and the Soviet Far Eastern army in order to exchange strategic information, etc.

3. Full Soviet assistance to Chungking for establishment of strategic positions in western China in collaboration with the Anglo-Americans.

4. Recognition by Chungking of the Soviet position in Hsinkiang Province.

Domei said that Russia reportedly was cautious and conditioned any acceptance on Anglo-American positive assistance to Chungking. The Soviets also offered counter-proposals as a prerequisite to acceptance of Chungking overtures, said Domei. The Soviet counter-proposals were said to be:

1. Joint American-Soviet air strategy in the maritime province.

2. Participation of Anglo-American air forces in Sino-Japanese hostilities.

3. Participation of Australian and Burmese forces in defence of south-western China.

4. Anglo-American participation in establishment of Chungking's military and strategic operations in north-western China.—United Press.

Tokyo 'Grimly Resolved' To Push Ahead

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

In a caution to the United States against taking any fresh steps to bring pressure on Japan, the "Kokumin Shimbun" declares that the United States's obstinate refusal to heed Tokyo's warnings will result in the complete shattering of the existing strained relations between Japan and the United States.

The journal stresses the futility of British and United States efforts to deter Japan from its established policy, asserting that Tokyo "will go ahead with grim resolve to establish a prosperity sphere throughout East Asia, on a peaceful basis."—Reuter.

Dry Dock Plant Offered To U.S. Navy

Kearny, N.J., Aug. 12.

The Federal shipbuilding drydock company yesterday telegraphed Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, offering the strikebound Kearny plant to the United States Navy "for immediate production and operation."

The telegraph followed reports that the Government was ready to seize the plant if a strike tying up US$463,000,000 worth of defence orders was not settled in 48 hours.—United Press.

Australian Minister Declares Nazi Ambition Underestimated

Des Moines, Aug. 12.

THE Australian Minister to Washington, Mr. Robert Casey, addressing the Iowa department of the American Legion here last night, said that the Nazis were seeking by war or threats to dominate the entire world, including South America where, he charged, thousands of Nazi agents were now working.

He said that the events of the past two years have vindicated Australia's prompt decision to enter the war at the outset.

He pointed out that Americans underestimate the scope of Chancellor Adolf Hitler's ambition which has progressively expanded in the last two years.

"Hitler," he continued, "has ravaged over eleven nations and is now engaged in a terrible war with Russia.

"You know what is going on in Far East. You know what is happening in South America. You know what may happen again in north and west America.

"The Ring is Closing"

"The ring is closing. Hitler's plan has been far enough developed. That purpose is plain and can not be concealed any more."

Mr. Casey said that Germany had thrown millions of troops against Russia. Japan had joined the Axis and Turkey had been bludgeoned into silence.

"Nazi agents by the thousand are hard at work in South America," he charged.

Germany, he claimed, from the beginning was frank about her aims and has carried them out with remarkable force and cunning. She is half way and more to her full objective of world domination and the rattle of German drums can be heard in other areas on which she has designs.

The Fly in the Ointment

"The only fly in the ointment is that she and her friends have not yet over-run the British countries—they have not yet over-run the United States or Russia."

The Australian Minister pointed out that the facts require full-scale mutual co-operation.

"I believe," he said, "that continued existence of Britain is essential to the United States—just as continued existence of the United States is essential to us. I believe that the United States and the British Empire are like two blades of scissors—they must work together to do the job."—United Press.

Far East Situation May Mean War Says U.S. Expert

Washington, Aug. 12.

Mr. George Fairchild, chief of the Philippines Sugar Association, yesterday had virtually concluded conferences with highest ranking officials here on the Philippines emergency shipping situation.

Mr. Fairchild told the United Press that the "situation will be solved when officials here realize that the Far Eastern situation may mean war for the United States. That time will come soon."

Mr. Fairchild said the Far East needed the same degree of attention now being devoted to Europe and South America.

Closer to War

"We are moving closer and closer to war in the Far East," Mr. Fairchild said, but some of our officials, especially maritime and sugar officials here, can think only of Europe, Cuba and South America.

Mr. Fairchild said that it would be wise from all angles to permit supply ships to load at least part of their cargo space with sugar as ballast on return voyages. He said that shipping experts preferred to carry sugar as a portion of cargo in order to give the vessels pitch weight and prevent disasters at sea. He said that hemp, coora and rubber were too light for ballast.

"If they will let us ship 50,000 to 60,000 tons of sugar monthly it will permit the Philippines sugar industry to survive and would have a good psychological effect on the United States sugar market which may otherwise get beyond control," Mr. Fairchild said.—United Press.

Hundred Thousand Visit China Festival

Hollywood, California, Aug. 12.

More than 100,000 persons paid admissions to the Chinatown Festival over the week-end, given for benefit of the China Relief Fund, it was estimated yesterday.

Screen celebrities attending the final night included Miss Marlene Dietrich and Mr. Edward G. Robinson. The Victor McLaglen Motorcycle corps headed the colourful Chinatown parade.—United Press.

Duke of Windsor Proceeding to Calgary

New York, Aug. 12.

The "New York Times" has learned that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are crossing the United States sometime in late September, en route to the Duke's ranch at Calgary.

It is understood that preparations are being made in Calgary for a stay of upwards of six weeks.—Reuter.

Civilians in Casablanca Receive Heavy Sentences

Casablanca, Aug. 12.

A court martial gave heavy sentences yesterday to 14 military and civilian leaders recently rounded up for plotting against the security of the state the sentences varied from five to 15 years at hard labour, plus military degradation for soldiers and officers and loss of civic rights and confiscation of fortunes for civilians.—United Press.

Ship Labourers Return To Work in U.S.

Camden, N.J., Aug. 12.

More than 13,000 employees of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation returned to work yesterday under a new contract barring strikes and lockouts, and providing for a closed shop and automatic pay increases if the cost of living rises.—United Press.

More Classes May Now Be Called Up in Turkey

Ankara, Aug. 12.

The National Assembly has passed a bill allowing 19 and 20-year-old classes to be called up with a formal declaration of mobilization.

Previously, these classes could only be called up after mobilization had been declared.—Reuter.

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Money and Exchange

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.,

£1 @ 2 27/32d.		$ 84.39
U.S. $100 @ 4 13/16		$2,077.92
Guilders	9	$100
Rupees	15¾	100
Pesos	9⅝	100
Hongkong	$18⅞	100
Closing rates	2 27/32d.	U.S. $4 13/16

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 2 31/32d.	$ 80.84
U.S. $100 @ 5	$2,000.00
London—demand, $1=	2 31/32d.
4 months' sight credits	3 d.
4 months' sight docts	3 1/32d.
6 months' sight credits	3 1/32d.
6 months' sight docts	3 1/16d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $5
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5 1/16
Closing rate 3 1/32d.	U.S. $5 1/16

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03½ U.S. $1=59.48d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ...... 2 31/32d. U.S. $4 31/32
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Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing CRB$ or $2.794 @ 211
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar $5.896

Local Exchange Report

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INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	2 31/32	Lowest	2⅞
U.S. $		5		4 31/32

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING Aug.				BUYING Aug.
£	T.T.	2 15/16	4 m/s. l.c.	3 1/32
U.S.$	T.T.	4 13/16	4 m/s. l.c.	5 1/16
Rs.	T.T.	16⅜	15 d/s.	17

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London pence per std. oz.	23 7/16	23 7/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.13	—
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U.S. $/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for Aug. 11 4.03½
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 4.03 *
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 4.03 *
*—Nominal.

The local market opened with sellers at 2 27/32d. sterling and 4 13/16 U.S.$. From the opening the market showed a steadier tendency and rates moved up gradually until mid-afternoon at which time there were Interbank sellers at 2 31/32d. sterling and 5 U.S.$. This high level brought out some buyers, however, and at the close the market was quiet and a shade easier with best sellers at:—

2 31/32 sterling 4 31/32 U.S.$ Cash/Sept.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Aug. 11.

Bombay T. T. on:

N.Y.	331¼-332¾	London	1/5 15/16
Shanghai	17½ N.	2 mths	
Hongkong	84½	,, sellers	1/5 15/16
		,, buyers	1/6

London £ sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	3 1/16d.
Madrid	40.00	Bombay	1/6
Berne	17.30	Hongkong	1/3 1/16
Bel. Congo	176½	Singapore	2/4 3/16

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Spain	9.25 N.	Brazil	5.05
Paris	2.30	Shanghai	5.00
S'zerland	23.40	Hongkong	25.37
Sweden	23.85	Hungary	19.85
Montreal	88.875	Manila	49.87 N.
London			4.03½
Buenos Aires, Paper			29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate			23.87
Montreal on London			4.54

A—Asked N—Nominal *—Offered—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Aug. 11.
Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call money		⅞%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0⅝%B 0 9/16%A
Call money		1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

Aug. 12.	Sales 10 a.m.		Prices p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.365	B	.365	
Antamok	.044	B	.041	B
Baguio Gold	.145	B	15	B
Batong Buhay	.045	B	.045	B
Big Wedge	.45	B	.45	
Coco Grove	.0625	B	.0625	
Consolidated Mines	.0037	B	.0037	
Demonstration	.03	B	.03	B
East Mindanao	.085	B	Unq.	
I. X. L.	.19		.18	A
Ipo Gold	.011	B	.011	B
Itogen	.18	B	.18	B
Mambulao Consolidated	.01	A	.01	A
Masbate Consolidated	.085	B	.0875	
Mine Operations	.022	A	.022	A
Paracale Gumaus	.25	B	.25	B
San Mauricio	.16	B	.16	
Surigao Consolidated	.19	B	.19	
Suyoc	.105		.105	
Syndicate Investment	.022	A	.022	A
United Paracale	.16	B	.16	B
Mindanao Motherlode	.35	B	.35	
Manila Hai-Alai	9.00	B	9.00	B
Benguet Consolidated (over the counter)	3.70	A	—	

Turnover 34,700 Pesos.
Shares Index 45.22.
B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Aug. 11.

Wall Street experts today still were relatively friendly toward the market despite the fact that prices dipped on the average during the fullest session since July 29.

A large part of the friendliness appeared based on the growing conviction that inflation fears would result in boosting equity and security prices.

Meanwhile, experts pointed out that the technical position appeared sound. The Stock Exchange's latest report on collateral loans of US$404,000,000 to August 1, compared to US$458,000,000 to June 1, indicated loans were shrinking despite the fact the price trend was higher through most of June and July, indicating in turn that the market was on a more solid cash basis and that idle capital was being invested.—United Press.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The market was active yesterday, with rubbers again prominent. Some advances were registered early, among rubbers Cheng and Kelantan being outstanding. Later, with a firmer exchange, easiness set in and the market closed steady.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
466.70	105.32	General	311.22	—0.02
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	268.53	+8.76

Total 1,017,369 shares, 1,191 bonds.

Morning Session

Yangtsze Finance					1000	18.40
	1000	*18.30				
S'hai Loan			500	21.00	2000	20.75
	2000	*20.75	2500	21.00		
I. I. Trust			1000	30.00	500	*30.00
	1500	29.75	1000	*29.75		
Central Prop.					200	20.50
China Realty			500	12.60	1000	12.70
S'hai Land			1000	*19.60	500	19.60
	8500	19.70	3000	19.60	500	19.50
	3000	19.70	1000	19.80	1000	19.70
	5000	19.60	1000	*19.60	1500	19.50
	500	*19.50	500	19.40	7500	19.50
	4000	*19.40	3000	19.40	500	*19.40
	1500	*19.30	2000	19.30	1500	19.40
	2000	19.30				
Dockyard			100	*27.25	1200	27.25
	4400	27.50	300	27.25	300	*27.00
	2900	27.00				
Asia Navigation			3500	14.40	2000	*14.40
	9000	14.50	2000	*14.50	2000	14.40
	3500	14.30	2000	*14.20	2500	14.20
	500	14.30				
Ewo Brewery					3000	7.80
Wheelock			400	95.50	100	*95.50
	1100	95.00	1700	*94.50	100	94.50
	1400	*94.50	1100	94.50		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			200	*36.50	2900	36.75
	3900	36.50	900	*36.75	1300	*36.50
	200	*36.25	1600	36.25		
Textile			500	8.50	500	8.55
	8000	8.50				
Worsted			3000	5.75	500	*5.75
C. G. Omnibus			200	18.70	300	18.90
	400	19.00	500	18.90	200	18.80
	400	18.70				
Telephone			100	31.50	400	31.75
	500	31.50				
S'hai Gas			700	17.00	200	17.10
	200	16.90				
Paper			500	5.30	5500	5.25
Lumber			100	89.50	500	*90.00
	900	89.50	200	*89.00	300	89.00
	100	88.00	100	*87.50	100	88.00
	400	*88.50	200	*88.00		
Metal			800	34.25	1300	34.50
	500	34.75	1000	*34.50	2200	34.50
	1500	*34.25	700	34.25	1900	34.00
Kaiping					100	40.00
Exploration			3500	26.00	1000	26.25
	1500	*26.25	2000	26.00	3000	25.75
	500	*26.00	6000	25.75		
Anglo Dutch			800	17.00	200	17.70
	700	17.80	200	17.90	200	18.00
	200	17.60	400	17.50	100	17.40
Anglo Java			100	31.75	600	*32.00
	200	31.75	500	32.00	200	*32.50
	800	32.50	300	*32.75	1600	32.75
	800	32.50	200	*32.25	100	32.25
	300	*32.00	100	32.00	300	31.75
	100	31.50	1600	31.75		
Batu Anam			7000	1.70	2000	*1.70
Bute			500	8.00	1500	8.30
Alma					600	*57.00
Chemor			5000	2.50	3000	2.55
	3000	2.57½	9000	2.60	3000	2.55
	1000	2.47½				
Cheng			1000	1.32	1000	1.34
	4000	1.40	1000	1.42	7000	1.44
	20000	*1.44	19000	1.46	5000	*1.46
	3000	1.48	8000	1.50	1000	*1.40
	15000	*1.50	6000	1.52	13000	1.50
	6000	*1.52	12000	1.50	4000	1.46
	12000	1.48	5000	*1.48	16000	1.46
	4000	1.44	14000	1.42	5000	*1.42
	3000	1.40	10000	1.42	6000	*1.42
	1000	1.40				
Consolidated			500	8.35	2500	8.50
	1500	8.50	500	8.65	2500	8.50
Dominion					1000	11.00
Java Consolidated					3000	4.00
Kroewoek			1000	2.10	1000	2.15
	5000	2.17½	1000	2.20	1000	2.22½
	1000	*2.22½	1000	2.25	3000	2.22½
	1000	2.15	4000	2.10		
Kota			1000	*5.50	1000	5.50
Langkat			100	*21.50	300	21.50
	800	21.75	3300	22.00	400	*22.25
	200	*22.00	100	21.75	200	21.50
	100	*21.50				
Padang					1000	2.80
Repah			6000	1.44	2000	1.46
	4000	1.48	7000	1.50	4000	1.48
	4000	*1.46	5000	1.46	7000	1.44
	2000	1.46				
Rubber Trust			4000	*12.40	1500	12.40
	500	12.60	2500	12.50	2000	12.40
Samagaga			5000	2.00	2000	2.05
	4000	2.10	3000	2.05	2000	2.00
Semambu			1000	1.52	1000	*1.54
	1000	1.54	25000	1.50	2000	*1.50
Senawang			1000	2.40	1000	2.45
Kedah					500	11.00
Kelantan			3000	1.02	3000	*1.02
	7000	1.04	4000	1.06	3000	*1.04
	1000	*1.06	9000	1.04	7000	1.06
	1000	1.08	3000	1.06	4000	1.08
	10000	1.10	1000	*1.10	3000	1.08
	18000	1.10	16000	1.12	2000	*1.12
	4000	1.10	30000	1.08	2000	1.06
	9000	1.04	15000	1.06		
Pahang					2000	4.90
Seremban					5000	3.05
Sumatra					100	28.00
Tanah Merah			8000	3.80	10000	*3.80
Tebong			1000	1.54	3000	1.56
	4000	1.58	9000	1.60	2000	1.58
	3000	*1.60	1000	*1.62	24000	1.60
	6000	1.62	11000	1.60	1000	1.58
	1000	1.56	2000	1.58		
Ziangbe			200	19.60	100	19.80
	300	19.90	400	20.00	200	*20.25
	1200	20.25	300	20.75	100	19.80
	200	19.70	100	*19.50	400	19.70
	200	19.60				
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S. M. C. 6% 1940					50000	101.00
S. M. C. 6% 1941					64900	101.00
American Club Debs.					42300	*68.00
Power 5½% Tael Debs.					2000	98.00
S'hai Race Club Debs.					57300	*93.00

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Sumatra			50	*27.75
S'hai Loan			150	21.25
Wheelock			50	96.50
Lumber			30	89.00
Textiles			100	8.70
Ewo Brewery			100	7.70
Telephone			60	31.00
Worsted			200	5.70
Asia Navigation	200	*14.50	240	14.60
Exploration			200	26.25

Afternoon Session

Yangtsze Finance					500	18.20
S'hai Loan			500	20.75	500	*21.00
I. I. Trust					500	29.75
China Realty			500	*12.60	500	12.70
S'hai Land			8500	19.40	500	*19.50
	2000	19.50	3000	19.60	500	*19.70
	500	19.70	4000	19.60		
Dockyards					2600	27.00
Asia Navigation			2000	14.20	5000	14.30
Ewo Brewery					500	7.75
Wheelock			500	94.50	500	*94.00
	300	94.50	500	*94.50	300	95.00
	100	94.50	300	*95.00	200	*94.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)			500	*36.50	300	*36.25
	2200	36.50				
Textile					1500	8.50
C. G. Omnibus			100	18.60	600	18.70
Telephone					300	31.25
Paper			500	*5.30	500	5.30
Lumber			1000	88.00	300	*87.50
	200	88.00	200	88.50	100	*88.50
Metal			500	34.00	400	*33.75
	3800	34.00	200	*34.25	1000	*34.00
	500	34.25				
Exploration			3000	*25.50	1000	25.75
	500	*25.75	500	26.00	1500	25.75
Anglo Java			500	31.50	300	*31.75
	800	32.00	300	31.75		
Batu Anam					1000	1.70
Chemor			1000	2.45	2000	2.47½
Cheng			1000	1.40	8000	[illegible]
	9000	1.40	6000	1.42	8000	1.40
	17000	1.38				
Consolidated			1500	8.50	300	8.60
Kroewoek					1000	2.10
Langkat					300	21.50
Repah			8000	1.46	2000	1.48
Rubber Trust			1000	12.50	1000	*12.50
	500	12.40				
Semambu			1000	1.50	3000	1.56
	2000	1.60	16000	1.66	2000	*1.66
	5000	*1.64	3000	1.64	2000	1.60
	2000	*1.58	1000	1.60		
Senawang			2000	2.45	4000	*2.45
Kelantan			1000	*1.06	2000	1.06
	4000	1.04	11000	1.06	2000	*1.06
Sua Manggis					4000	2.35
Tanah Merah			1000	3.75	2000	3.80
Tebong			2000	1.56	1000	1.54
	2000	1.56				
Ziangbe			300	19.40	100	19.60
Power (Pref)			30	138.50	40	138.25
Power 5½% Debs.					17500	98.00

ODD LOTS

Anglo Dutch			6	17.10
Power (Pref)			4	138.50
Ziangbe			45	19.40
Batu Anam			634	1.64
Senawang			100	2.47½
Semambu	100	1.56	50	1.60
Yangtsze Finance			50	18.00
S'hai Loan			100	20.50

*—Direct Business.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Aug. 11.

Quiet and easier conditions were witnessed on Wall Street today, with stock quotations mostly closing fractions lower. Moderate selling was encountered, owing to a lack of any favourable news, while the uncertainty over the Far Eastern situation continued to dampen sentiment, with operators reluctant to make new commitments, ending developments.

The volume of trading was small, totalling 450,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	126.61	125.63	126.01	—0.39
20 Rails	29.86	29.59	29.73	—0.12
15 Utilit.	18.61	18.47	18.50	—0.08
40 Bonds	——	——	91.03	—0.10
11 Commod.	——	——	78.86	—0.62

	Aug. 9	11		Aug. 9	11
Adams Exp	7	6¾	Int T & T	*2⅜	*2⅜
Alg Lud	23¾	23¼	Johns	65	64½
Allis Chal	29	28¾	Kennecott	37½	37⅞
Amer Can	86½	84	Libbey O F	28¼	28
Am Cyan	39	39⅛	Lockheed	27½	26¾
Am For Pr	0¾	*0⅝	Loew's	33	33⅛
,, $7 pfd	21¾	21½	Martin	27½	27⅝
Am Loco	13¾	12⅞	Mont Ward	33½	33
Am Metal	19⅛	19	Nat Avian	*9	9¼
Am Radtr	6½	6¼	Nat City B	*27	*26½
Am R Mill	15	14⅞	Nat Dairy	14⅞	14⅞
Am Smelt	41½	41⅛	Nat Dist	*21½	21⅝
Am Sug	20	18⅞	Nat P & L	5¼	5½
Am T & T	153⅞	153¼	Nat Sup	*6⅝	6⅝
Am Tob	71½	71	N Y Cent	12¾	12¾
Am Wtwrks	4¼	4⅝	Niag Hud	2⅞	2⅞
Anaconda	27¼	27⅜	N A Avian	14½	14¼
Atchison	28⅞	28½	N Am Co	13	13
Avian	3½	3⅜	N Pacific	7¼	7
Bald Loco	15¼	15	Packard	3	3⅛
Balt & O	4⅝	4½	Pantepec	4½	4
Barns Oil	9½	9⅞	Paramount	13⅝	13½
Bendix	37½	37	Penn R R	24	24½
Beth St	71½	70⅝	Phil Pet	45	44½
Bliss	16½	*16	Pullman	27½	27¼
Boeing	17½	17¼	Pure Oil	9⅝	9⅝
Borg War	19⅝	19⅝	Radio	4¼	4
Briggs	19	18½	Reading	16⅝	16
Budd Mfg	4½	4¼	Rem Arms	4½	*4½
Can Pac	4⅝	4⅝	Rep Avtn	3⅞	3⅞
Celanese	27½	27½	Rep St	19⅝	19⅜
Chase N B	*30½	*30½	Rey Tob	32⅝	32½
Ches & O	37⅝	37⅝	Schenley	15⅝	15⅝
Chrsysler	57	57	Shell U Oil	14⅝	14½
Col G & E	2¼	2¼	Soc Vac	9⅝	9½
Col Credit	24½	24½	Sthrn Pac	13½	13½
Com & Sth	0⅝	0 7/16	Sthrn Rly	28⅝	28½
Cons Edis	18	17¾	Spicer	37	36¾
Cons Oil	5⅞	5⅞	Std Brands	5½	5½
Copld St	16	*15½	St G & E	18	17¾
Curtis Wr	8½	8⅜	Std Oil	41⅜	42
Dist Cpn	16⅝	16½	Studebaker	5½	5⅝
Douglas	68⅜	69½	Swift Int	22⅝	*22½
Du Pont	159½	159	Technicor	*9¼	9⅞
E P Lead	9½	9¼	Tex Corp	41½	41⅜
Elec A Lite	28½	28	Transamer	4½	4⅝
Elec B & S	2½	2¼	Tw Cent	7⅝	7⅝
,, $5 pfd	53	53⅝	Un B & P	11½	10⅝
,, $6 pfd	58	*57½	Un Pac	81½	81
Elec P & L	33½	33½	Un Air	38½	38
Flintkote	14⅝	14½	Un A Lines	10¼	10⅝
Gen Elec	31½	31¼	Un Corp	0 9/16	0½
Gen Motor	39½	39⅜	,, $3 pfd	23⅝	23½
Gen Rly	14½	14	Un Gas	7⅝	7½
Gen T & R	12⅝	12½	U S Rub	23	22⅝
Goodrich	18½	18⅜	U S Steel	57	56⅝
Goodyear	19½	19	Vanadium	24½	24½
Gt N I Ore	17⅜	*17½	Vultee	*7	7½
Gt N Rly	26½	26½	Walworth	5½	5½
Gt W Sug	27⅞	26⅞	War Br Pct	4½	4½
Int Nickel	26½	26⅝	West Elec	93½	92
Int Paper	16⅝	16⅝	Woodward	27	26½

BONDS

Am For Pr	62½	61½	Erie	30	29⅞
Aust Com	*71	74	Int T & T	44	43⅞
Brazil	20½	20½	New Eng	61	61
,, 6½%	*17½	*17½	Sthrn Pac	51⅞	50⅞
C S P & L	98½	98½	St G & E	89½	89

*—Bid. †—Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices moved moderately lower today, with a firming tendency evident near the close of the market. Uncertainties over war developments and renewed talk by Price-Administrater Henderson regarding price ceilings dampened sentiment.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Aug. 11.

The cotton market opened easier, with quotations ruling from 2 to 12 points down. Later, prices sagged further on more favourable weather reports, the weakness of New Orleans, combined with a lack of buying support. At the close, quotations ranged from 21 to 23 points down from the previous final levels.

Further belated shorts covering was witnessed in an otherwise featureless rubber market, with closing prices ranging from unchanged to 20 points up from Friday's levels.

The Chicago Wheat Pit was also easier, with prices declining on Eastern selling and hedge-selling, induced by continued heavy receipts at termini and congestion at storages. At the final bell, losses from 1 to 1⅛ cents were recorded.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Oct.	16.11-12	—21	Sept.	22.50 N.	unc.
Dec.	16.27-30	—23	Dec.	22.50-55	+20
				B/A	
Jan.	16.29 N.	—22			
Mar.	16.39-39	—23	Mar.	20.80 N.	unc.
May	16.40-40	—22			
July	16.34 N.	—23			

N. Y. Sugar No. 3			N. Y. Sugar No. 4		
Sept.	2.84-86 B/A	+04	Sept.	1.83-85 B/A	+03
Jan.	2.89-90 B/A	+05	Dec.	1.89½-90 B/A	+04
			Mar.	1.93½-94 B/A	+04

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
Sept.	110⅝-110¾	—1	Sept.	78¼-78⅛	—⅞
Dec.	114⅛-114	—1⅛	Dec.	81⅜-81⅜	—⅞

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Aug. 11.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 13 9/16 unc; sellers 13¾ +1/16; Sept. del. buyers 13⅝ unc; sellers 13 11/16 unc.

London Tin: Standard, cash, middle price, £257⅛ +½; 3 mths del. middle price, £260, +⅛.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's. D.H. p.b.	Cash	$1,601
Tungchow cotton	.. per picul	300
Shanghai cotton	.... per picul	255
		picul
Raw silk. Steamfil. 20/22 78%		$7,000 Nom.
Flour, local	.. per bag (49lb.)	$29.00
Flour, imported	,,	32.80

Japan Ready Reciprocate Thawing of Assets

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Japan is ready to observe the principle of reciprocity regarding the unfreezing of assets of diplomats, Mr. Koh Ishii, Deputy Spokesman of the Information Board, stressed to foreign correspondents today.

Mr. Ishii disclosed that a proposal to release the assets of Japanese diplomats in the United States had been received from the United States, and added that Japan is ready to reciprocate.—Domei.

London Bullion

London, Aug. 11.

London Gold: Bar Gold, Fine, per ounce: 168/-, unchanged.

London Silver: The market was steady, with no business recorded during the whole day.

Spot	....	23 7/16d., unc.
Forward	....	23 7/16d., unc.

—Reuter.

U.S. Must Develop New Source Of Tin Supply in Case of Need

New York, Aug. 12.

TIN is an essential material in American industry, and the United States accounts for nearly half of world tin consumption. But as in the case of some other essential raw materials, the United States is dependent on foreign countries for tin. There is almost no production of domestic tin and reliance must be placed on imports. The supply is controlled by a monopoly agreement among the principal producing countries.

Fortunately for the United States these countries are friendly and have shown co-operation in permitting us to build up a reserve stockpile of tin, which probably will be effective as long as transportation remains feasible.

Survey of Situation

Beyond that, according to an extensive survey by the National Association of Manufacturers, our only recourse is in reclaimng scrap, developing closer-to-home sources in Brazil, and restricting the use of tin for other than non-military or essential industrial purposes. A survey included the following observations:

Tin is essential because it forms a thin, ductile, non-corrosive and closely adhering film or coating on steel and other metals; its anti-friction properties and its ability to act as a flux in binding one metal to another.

It is of extreme importance in the preservation of food, because it supplies the protective coating on the steel sheets from which "tin" cans are made. It takes only 35 pounds of tin to manufacture one ton of tin plate.

Many Uses

More directly in defence interest, tin is used in bearings, solders, bronzes and gun-metals. One of its most valuable properties is its amenability to fabrication. Its inherent softness, low melting point and ready combination with many other metals make it especially useable for casting, rolling, ductability, spinning and stamping. It is invaluable, for instance, in getting out your daily newspaper printed from linotype machines and stereotype plates.

U.S. Consumption

Of about 90,000 tons of tin consumed in the United States in 1937 for the manufacture of finished products, just under 40,000 tons was used in making tin plate, and 20,000 tons went into solder. Babbitt metal and bronze each took over 6,000 tons, collapsible tubes, 3,500 tons and the remainder went into such products as tinfoil, type metal, tin oxide and other chemicals.

Substitute Products

The chief target of conservation by the use of substitute and alternative products would be the use of tin for containers. Research has shown various materials for such use, which would free up to 40 per cent of present consumption for the more vital defence purposes, especially in solders and babbitt metal for bearings.

Lacquer substitutes admirably for tin in food protection, silver also could be used, although at considerably higher cost, running up to three cents per can over the normal tinning process. For many uses, it will be possible to substitute for tin cans various containers of glass, paper, or rigid and pliable plastics.

Alternatives More Costly

It is apparent that means can be developed for dealing with an emergency shortage of tin for containers. Alternatives, however, are uniformly more costly and will be turned to only as necessity requires.

Sources of Supply

The above is the chief source of conservation. Building up the recovery from scrap would help some, but is a thin source of supply stockpile and available nearby sources remain. Nearly two thirds of the world's tin is mined in British Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies, about one-fourth in Bolivia and most of the remainder in Thailand and Nigeria.

Imports Being Stepped Up

In the matter of imports to build up the reserves, the international tin control authorities have relaxed their restrictions recently and the supply on hand at the beginning of this year was enough for fourteen months of operation at the current rate of consumption. Imports are being stepped up and the supply is likely to be increased greatly.

The supply from Bolivia also is in the process of being stepped up. Hitherto, because of the lack of smelting facilities in Bolivia or the United States, we have obtained our Bolivian supply indirectly from Britain, after it has been shipped there for smelting.

Government agencies here have been working on the smelting problem, and the Metal Reserves Company has arranged with Bolivian producers for a supply of sufficient ore to produce 18,000 tons of fine tin per year for the next five years, to be handled by enlarged smelting facilities here.—United Press.

Commerce Ministry Gets Wide Powers

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

It was revealed today that the wide powers over transaction in stock and negotiable securities invested in the Commerce and Industry Minister by Imperial Ordinance was approved by the National Mobilization Inquiry Commission yesterday.

Purpose of the measures is to combat the ill effects of falling stock quotations on industry and commerce.

Minimum Quotations

The first of the measures gives the Commerce and Industry Minister discretionary authority to set the minimum quotations on stocks, whenever he believes that a drastic fall in quotations threatens to injure national economy. The figures will be fixed on the basis of listed market quotations and stock over a period of time selected at his discretion.

The Minister is able to change such listed quotations if he deems such a step is dictated by subsequent changes in the market and industrial conditions.

The bolstering measure of the second Ordinance approved by the Commission is designed to fight the effect of a fall in stock values on banks, insurance companies and other such credit institutions holding large assets in negotiable securities, by instituting control over the valuation of such securities on the companies' books.

Preventive Measures

The measure simultaneously is designed to prevent over-valuation of assets by such companies and combat over-capitalization of weak firms.

The measure provides first, that a company shall value on its books, stocks and securities, held over from the previous fiscal year, at the same figure as the previous year; and secondly, stocks which were acquired during the present fiscal year are to be recorded at their purchase value.

However, when dividends on such stock are lowered or suspended during the year, the listed value can be lowered accordingly. If such securities are issued by a firm or concern belonging to related capital interests, and if acquired at a value above the market price at the time, the recorded value will be at the market price.

The Ordinance is an emergency measure to be in effect for a period of one year.—Domei.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Aug. 11.

Quietly steady conditions prevailed on the London Stock Exchange today. Far Eastern uncertainties influenced the market early in the session, but firmness of the undertone again became apparent towards the close.

Breweries and South American rails continued to advance on further buying, while Japanese bonds tended downward.

Elsewhere, movements were generally trifling, with British gilt-edged securities and Kaffirs a shade lower. Oils and industrials were well held.—Reuter.

	Aug. 8	11
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£105 3/16	105⅛
3% Defence Loan	101	101
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	47	47
4½% Anglo-French Loan	45	45
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30	30
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	38	38
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	9	9
5% Honan Rly., 1905	13	13
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	15	15
5% ,, ,, (Ger. Is.)	13	13
5% Lung Tsing U. H Rly.	13	13
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	15	15
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	12	12
5% ,, ,, G.	12	12
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	12	12
5% ,, ,, (Supl Loan) G.	12	12
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	11	11
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	55	55
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	19½	18½
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	20½	19½
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8¾	8¾
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	73	72
,, ,, ,, (Col. Reg.)	76 N	76 N
Mercantile Bank of India	11⅛	11⅛
National Bank of India	31¾	32
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	22	22
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/10½	10/10½
B'tish American Tobacco	84/4½	83/9
Dunlop Rubber	35/9	35/9
Imp. Chem. Industries	32/6	32/1½
United Steel	24/-	23/10½
Woolworths	56/9	57/-
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	13/6	13/6
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	5/7½	5/7½
Pekin-Syndicate	1/-	1/-
Sub-Nigel	141/10½	141/10½
Western Holdings	16/9	16/9
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	37¼	37¼
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/-	15/-
London, Midland & Scot.	14½	14½
S'hai Elec. Construction	13/6	13/6
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Shell Transport & Trad.	49/4½	49/4½

Controlling of Stock Quotations Welcomed

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

Stock Exchange circles here today welcomed the ordinance instituting control over stock quotations as a positive step toward the stabilization of stock exchange and industry to counter fast changing international developments.

These quarters believe that the present step bolsters the activities of the Japan Mutual Securities Company, a semi-governmental concern which was created early this year for the purpose of checking excessive falls in prices and shares.

The company, which since July has been resorting to bullish operations in the market, so far has purchased half a million shares in an attempt to prevent unreasonably low quotations.

The Tokyo stock exchange is expected to abolish restrictions on short selling, which has been effective since July 28, as soon as the new ordinance becomes effective.—Domei.

U.S. Inflation Checked

Washington, Aug. 12.

As a means of helping check inflation President Roosevelt has authorised the Federal Reserve Board to take any lawful steps necessary to control instalment credit.—Reuter.

U.S. To Buy 10,000 Bales Raw Silk

Washington, Aug. 12.

Mr. Jesse Jones, Secretary of Commerce, yesterday said a Government corporation, the Defence Supplies Corporation, would buy 100,000 bales of raw silk from privately owned stocks in the United States or new en route to the United States.

The silk then will be apportioned to manufacturers as required, Mr. Jones said. Arrangements—requested by the Office of Production Management—will permit private interests holding raw silk stocks which have been frozen by Government decree, to convert silk into cash, pending further developments of the "silk war."—United Press.

French Liner Still At Manila

Manila, Aug. 12.

The Everett Steamship Corporation, agents for the Messageries Maritimes, today said that 400 Japanese evacuees, mostly fishermen, had reservations on the Marshal Joffre, tentatively sailing for Shanghai on August 16, from where they were taking Japanese ships to Japan.

The Joffre today, however, was still in Manila Bay under quarantine, due, it was stated, to its failure to secure a health bill from the American Consul in Saigon certifying the passengers were free from communicable diseases. It was expected to dock late today.—United Press.

Open Silk Contracts

New York, Aug. 12.

The Board of Governors of the Commodities Exchange, at a special meeting yesterday, decided to liquidate open silk contracts as the result of freezing of raw silk stocks in the United States.

The board authorized appointment of a committee to investigate the status of open contracts to determine the manner and time of liquidation.—United Press.

North China Exchange Control Regulations

Peiping, Aug. 12.

The North China Political Council yesterday promulgated exchange control regulations effective immediately.

The regulations require government permission for the purchase and sale of foreign exchanges and the issuance of letters of credit as well as the purchase and sale of currencies except China Reserve banknotes.

Permission can be dispensed with in the case of the sale or purchase of drafts and letters of credit issued in Japan, Manchoukuo and Inner Mongolia. Also exempted from the restrictions are transactions with 25 banks specified by the political council including the China Reserve Bank, the Yokohama Specie Bank, the Bank of Chosen, the Bank of Manchoukuo, and the Bank of Inner Mongolia.—Domei.

Japanese Economic Control Measures

Tokyo, Aug. 12.

The draft of four Imperial ordinances designed to gear Japan right up to a total war-time economic footing was approved by the National Mobilization Investigatory Committee at a meeting held yesterday afternoon at the Premier's official residence.

They are:

1. Revision of the Price Control Act.
2. Revision of control over maritime transport.
3. Limitation of stock and bond prices; and
4. Temporary measures for the valuation of stocks and bonds of corporative companies.

It is expected that these ordinances will shortly be put into effect.

The Price Control Act is said to be revised so that the Government can keep it in operation as long as deemed necessary, and maritime control envisaged under the second act will involve more stringent State control of such facilities as docking and stevedoring. Details of the stocks and bonds ordinances are not yet available, but they are expected to Government-controlled limitations of prices for all future transactions in such securities.—Reuter.

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THE Australian Federal Treasurer, Mr. Fadden, estimates that by the end of June Australia's war expenditure will exceed £20,000,000 a month.

PUKOW, across the river from Nanking, will be formally incorporated into the capital city from September 1, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports. The enlarged city will be known as Greater Nanking.

THE chairman of the Australian Wool Board, Sir Dalziel Kelly, said recently that a method of making wool gasproof had been discovered. The process would give additional protection to British soldiers and A.R.P. workers.

M. J. Em. Lemiere, the veteran French journalist, who was eighty-five years of age yesterday, was to have entertained a number of his friends at the Cercle Sportif Francais but was prevented owing to the strike of club employees.

PASTOR Dzao Shih Kwang of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church is giving a week's Evangelistic Services over radio station XMHD, 760 kc., or 395.6 m. These services will be conducted from August 17 to August 23, from 7.30 p.m. until 8.15 p.m.

THE wedding took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Holy Trinity Cathedral of Mr. T. L. Rawsthorne and Miss Mildred Rutter. Mr. Rawsthorne is Assistant Secretary to the Shanghai Municipal Council and Miss Rutter has been a member of the China Inland Mission.

THE 5th Company Girl Guides are arranging a tennis party with competition games, in aid of the War Fund, on August 19, or if wet on August 26. By the kindness of Mrs. Toeg it will be held in her garden 753 Yu Yuen Road at 3.30 p.m., teas and soft drinks will be sold at reasonable prices.

As a result of the appeal made during Guide Week in May, the Girl Guides' Association of New South Wales has received £1,635 for the purchase of mobile kitchens, to be used by the Girl Guides of Britain in the bombed areas. Expenses were 1.35 per cent. of the amount raised by the appeal.

MR. Teru Domyo, Japanese Consul at Hangchow, who has been transferred to Tientsin, will leave for his North China post at the end of this month, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports. Mr. Domyo, who has been in Hangchow since 1938, was instrumental in promoting peace and order among Japanese and Chinese residents in Hangchow, the paper said.

IN order to further the study of diplomatic affairs, the China Diplomacy Research Institute was established on Sunday by Chinese officials of the National Government of China, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi." Mr. Chou Lung-hsiang, Administrative Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, has been appointed President of the Institute, the paper said.

THE Australian Minister for Munitions, Senator McBride, announced July 3, that a Commonwealth gun ammunition factory would be established soon in Tasmania, in place of the small arms ammunition factory planned originally. The new factory would include rolling mills and a foundry to process copper and zinc. A preliminary estimate of the cost was £500,000.

PRIVATE advice has been received in Sydney that Lieutenant J. R. Harrowell has been awarded the Allenby Prize for the most successful cadet in the Royal Artillery Wing of the Officers' Cadet Training Unit, Middle East. Lieutenant Harrowell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Harrowell, of Neutral Bay, Sydney, and was educated at The King's School, Parramatta. His elder brother is also a lieutenant in the A.I.F.

CHARGED with a breach of the Defence Regulations by bringing two letters into the Colony other than by post from Shanghai on board a British vessel on August 5, Shen Yui-tseng, 27, was fined $10 or 14 days by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning, states the "China Mail." On the ship's arrival a police party went on board and searched passengers. Two letters dealing with private affairs were found in accused's possession.

A TELEGRAM expressing condolences was sent to the bereaved family of Sir Rabindranath Tagore, the world famous Indian poet and philosopher who died recently, by General Chiang Kai-shek, according to a message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." The wire was sent through Mr. Tan Yun-shan, professor of Chinese at the Calcutta University, and stated that eastern culture had lost one of its strongest supporters with the death of Sir Tagore, the report states.

THE Shanghai Municipal Government has issued an order banning the practice of accepting "key money" in Nantao, states the "Kuo Min Daily News." This step was taken because the acceptance of "key money" before sub-letting a house has a bad effect on the revival of prosperity in Nantao. The Bureau of Social Affairs of the Shanghai Municipal Government and the Nantao police authorities have been instructed to keep a sharp lookout for this practice of accepting "key money" from new tenants, the report concludes.

LACK of public support for the "Hongkong Radio Review" has involved Government in expenditure of HK$15,341, states the "China Mail." In a minute attached to a vote for this sum, it is stated that when the Review was started in October, 1939, it was hoped that it might be self-supporting and that there would be no charge on public funds. Income and expenditure were therefore caused on a suspense account. Unfortunately, owing to lack of public support, a loss has been incurred, the net deficit for the whole period up to March 31, 1941, being $15,340.08.

THE programme for the special grand operatic concert, Puccini—Verdi, to be held in the Koukaza Park (Route Voyron entrance) today at 9.15 p.m. (weather permitting; if cancelled, to be held on the following day at the same hour) is as follows:—

Puccini

Selection from "Madame Butterfly" (Orchestra)
Air from "The Girl of the Golden West"
Air from "Turandot"
Tenor: J. Fruchter
Intermezzo from "Manon Lescaut"
Preludio to the III Act of "Tosca"
(Orchestra)
Selection from "La Boheme" including Rodolfo's and Mimi's Scenes (I Act)
Tenor: J. Fruchter Soprano: R. Tafanos; Mimi's Farewell and Quartet (III Act) Mmes: R. Tafanos, and M. L. Klemann,
Messrs: J. Fruchter, and M. Warschauer.

Verdi

Preludio to the IV Act of "Traviata" (Orchestra)
Quartet from IV Act of "Rigoletto"
Mmes: R. Tafanos, and S. Rapp,
Messrs: J. Fruchter, and M. Warschauer.
Overture "Vespri Siciliani" (Orchestra)
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

Russian Amusements Continue In Spite of Bombings

Moscow, Aug. 12.

IT IS almost necessary to see to believe how the normal trend of life continues under war conditions in Moscow.

For the hard-working Russians there is little opportunity for amusements and recreation during week-days other than in the evenings but night bombings, real or expected, have greatly restricted the scope of after seven o'clock entertainments. Sunday is the Russian workman's day when Moscow's theatrical, musical and artistic life bursts forth. This Sunday alone 14 distinct theatrical and musical shows were billed. The production of Tchaikovsky's comic opera "Cherevitchki" led the list, each performance attracting several members of foreign embassies or missions. The Moscow Art Theatre with Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" is also a great attraction.

Other shows varied from modern semi-propaganda plays to comedies and children's theatre. But the centre of life for people on Sunday in Moscow is the "Ermitage Gardens" where thousands spend a good part of the day. A large proportion of the public, with Soviet youths, girls and soldiers, stroll under trees amidst well-kept flower beds. People sit in the sun, eating ice cream, drinking beer, and eating cheese, ham and sausage sandwiches. There was a temporary curtailment during the past week of such minor luxury supplies but they have reappeared in even greater quantities.

Fire-Fighting Instructions

The Garden walls are covered with gaily-coloured posters, both amusing and practical. For example, some give instructions for fire-fighting, while others are satirical against Hitler and Mussolini. The garden entrance is decorated with red banners and portraits of Stalin, Marshals Timoshenko and Budienny and other Soviet commanders and outstanding heroes. An innovation this Sunday was a loudspeaker carrying the unfamiliar voices of Czech and Polish representatives making speeches.

But the Ermitage is not merely a garden, for people have the choice of four different shows in four separate buildings running practically the entire gamut of theatre. A typical propaganda play shows an elderly couple sitting on a bench and wearily complaining of their age and commenting on their innumerable, real, and fancied illnesses. The second tableau is a scene after the outbreak of war, with the same couple busy knitting soldiers' comforts, claiming great health and finally volunteering as fire-fighters.

Something to Cry About

In a typical satire, a girl appears on the stage and tells a sad story of a little boy who has always got to cry because in games played at school the part of Hitler has always been given to him.

There was certainly no indication that these soldiers and people of Moscow were feeling that perhaps their city was living through its last normal Sunday. On the contrary people breathed absolute confidence that victory would eventually be theirs and the Germans would fail to capture Moscow.

Another sidelight of Moscow during war was obtained at a symphony concert where the audience greatly enjoyed what elsewhere could almost be considered high-brow music.

Anniversary of Revolution

The programme commemorated the 20th anniversary of the Soviet Revolution and the soloist was the 18-year-old violinist, Bussia Goldstein, who has won many prizes in contests at Warsaw and Brussels and who is the recipient of a high Soviet decoration. The first part of the programme was composed of famous concert music but the second part emphasized war. This started with an impressive and moving "declamation" of war slogans alternating with famous passages from Pushkin, Lermontov and other more recent poets.

These patriotic passages were read by the famous actor, Yakovlev, and visibly stirred the audience which frequently burst into applause. Later, a famous woman singer sang folk songs and a newly-composed ballad "Partisans' Song" with perfect Russian folk-song texture. It was the song of a peasant whose cows are stolen by the Germans and whose wife and children were burned alive in his hut. He weeps bitterly, then thirst for revenge prevails over his grief and he joins guerillas. This poignant song is one example of how the present war has stirred the Russian people's imaginations, acting as a powerful, creative stimulant. It is a significant psychological phenomenon and one of the psychological guarantees of victory.—Reuter.

Canada Planning Big Shipbuilding Programme

London, Aug. 12.

Canada is planning a shipbuilding programme, including the construction of destroyers and the launching of 1,000,000 tons of merchant shipping next year.

This fresh aspect of Allied war effort is among the topics being discussed by Mr. A. L. Macdonald, Minister of Naval Services, Rear-Admiral P.W. Nelles, Canadian Chief of Naval Staff, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and other officials in London this week.

Mr. Macdonald told reporters that technical assistance was needed, which he hoped to obtain from Britain.

The merchant shipbuilding programme began this summer, and the first ship was ready before the end of the year. Next year it is expected to have 100 new merchantmen on the water.

The whole scheme will come to maturity next year, when it is expected 1,000,000 tons will be launched, but doubtless this figure will be increased the following year.

"All I am able to say is that Canada will dispose of its fleet to the best advantage," Mr. Macdonald added. "We have some ships there now and we have important naval bases at Esquimalt. The first duty of our navy would be to defend Canada, wherever that may take it."

Since the war broke out, the Canadian Navy has grown from 13 ships to 250, and the personnel from 1,800 to 22,000.—Reuter.

Eight Power Conference Seen

Rome, Aug. 12.

Well informed sources here yesterday forecast that a proposed eight-power conference of Axis affiliates would develop into a nine power meeting, with Vichy possibly participating as an observer.

Vichy's participation was regarded as especially likely because of France's role in the Axis new order in Europe. The conference probably also would include discussions on the position of French colonial possessions in connection with the tendency of the war to spread to Asia and Africa, it was said. —United Press.

Conference Denied

Berlin, Aug. 11.

Rumours that representatives of the Tripartite Alliance will hold a conference at Venice or Vienna shortly were categorically denied today by German government circles who termed such rumours as entirely groundless.—Domei.

Petrol Rationing Fails in U.S.

New York, Aug. 12.

The petrol curfew whereby sales were halted from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. nightly has failed to reduce Sunday driving.

For the sixth time this year, Coney Island had more than 1,000,000 visitors last Sunday. Jones Beach, which is 35 miles from the centre of the city, had 118,000 visitors. Rockaway Beach had 1,000,000 visitors while Atlantic City—125 miles from New York—chalked up an attendance of 550,000 or the largest in 10 years. Several hundred thousand motorists were also reported in up-state parks and resorts.

Many experts continue to say the only solution to the current shortage is through rationing. Companies will send their reports to Washington today on the first complete week of the curfew order in an effort to determine if the night closing has succeeded in cutting consumption by one-third as the Government wishes. It was believed that if rationing is introduced in the eastern states, it will commence in September when holiday motoring begins to wane.—United Press.

FUNERAL

Mr. Norman Wallace

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at Hungjao Road Cemetery of the late Mr. Norman Wallace, who at the age of 69 years, passed away on Saturday afternoon after a brief illness. There was a large attendance of mourners, representatives being present from the various Missions in Shanghai. The services in the Chapel were conducted by Mr. J. A. Eggo while prayer was offered up by Mr. G. C. Willis. The casket was borne to the grave by Dr. T. S. Wong and Messrs. R. Wegener, W. McDowall, P. Klyhn, J. L. Savage, and S. Emmamooden. Mr. Eggo again officiated at the graveside. Among others sending floral tributes were:—

The Eggo family and a friend, Mr. Peter Klyhn, Mr. and Mrs. Karl, E. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Wegener and Junior, Mrs. M. Schmuser and daughters, Friends who worship at the Foreign "Y," etc.

Messrs. Thomas Macdonald and Co. were in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Cuban Senators Ask Expulsion of Nazis

Havana, Aug. 12.

Several Cuban Senators yesterday presented a bill to the Senate proposing closure of Italian and German consulates and expulsion of the Axis consuls on the grounds that their presence and activities in connection with Spaniards living in Cuba has created a situation inherently dangerous to the state.—United Press.

Alleviation of Shipping Problem Seen in U.S.

Washington, Aug. 12.

United States Maritime Commission sources here yesterday foresaw the possibility of a substantial alleviation of the shipping problem, potentially affecting inter-American trade, as the result of investigation into the feasibility of constructing concrete craft.

The Commission said the investigation presently was temporary but that it wished to obtain all the facts in the event the steel shortage becomes more acute.

Commission sources said that discussion involved construction of barges of 6,000 to 8,000 tons, carrying bulk cargoes such as petroleum, coal and grain in Western Hemisphere inter-coastal trade. They said that a series of barges could be hauled by one tug or other vessel.

Several concrete craft constructed during the World War period are still in service, testifying to their practicability and durability, said sources.

Maritime commission sources said that one feature was that such barges could be constructed with wooden instead of steel frames, thus virtually no steel would be necessary. —United Press.

Polish Military Group Going to Russia

London, Aug. 12.

As a preliminary to the formation in Russia of a Polish army equipped with the latest American material the Soviet Government has accepted a military mission headed by Gen. Szyszko-Bohusz who is empowered to conclude a Polish-Soviet military agreement.

Gen. Sikorski, Polish Premier, disclosed this at a Polish military rally in Scotland when he declared: "The Polish-Soviet agreement has brushed aside all sentimental considerations. The Polish nation took a decidedly anti-German stand in September, 1939 in a life and death fight and it will follow this road to the end. This attitude is dictated not only by our own interests but also by the fact that we have joined the British camp of liberty and freedom." —Reuter.

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Due in port at 3 p.m. today from Nagasaki is the T.K.K. express liner **Shanghai Maru** which will dock alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. She is due to leave port at 9.30 a.m. tomorrow on her return trip home.

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The fast Panamanian freighter **Essi**, operated by the Chung Tung Shipping and Forwarding Co., Ltd., is due to sail from the lower buoys 22 and 23 this afternoon on her return trip to Port Courbet. She came into port on Monday morning with 1,500 tons of coal for local discharge.

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The American President Lines trans-Pacific luxury liner **President Coolidge** arrived here last night the tender bringing passengers ashore arriving at the Custom's Jetty at 8 p.m. She is due to sail on her homeward voyage tomorrow morning with a number of passengers from Shanghai and the next American outward bound mail and general cargo.

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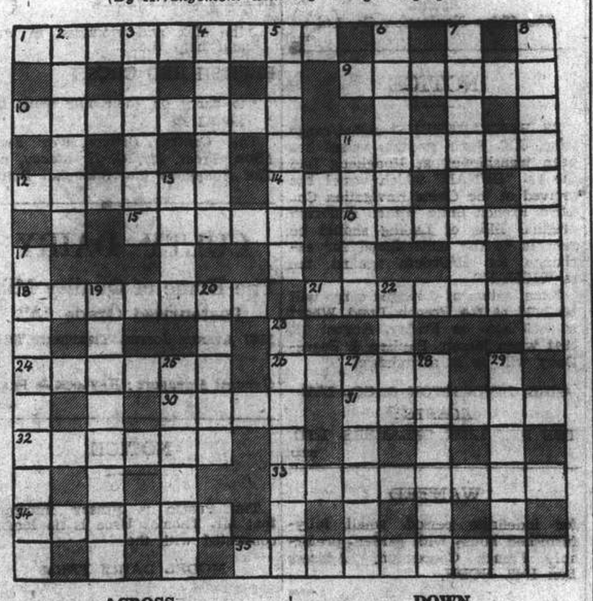

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10 Music coming from a tree top
11 French Marshal
12 Should a card-player be allowed to do this with a will without penalty?
14 This is not a suitable place for this game to be played
15 Wasting no words
16 No, this English town is not specially muddy
19 An oil
21 Some think this describes very "modern" art; it's quite natural
24 Scarcely with difficulty
26 To speak unqualified
30 Balance of advantage
31 Musical instruction
32 Regiment that may be foreign or British
33 Extravagant sort of music?
34 Suitable wine to drink at wakes?
35 "Dinner, hag" (anag.)

DOWN

2 Relative
3 Fish
4 Sound of amusement
5 This kind of hunter must use his head at his work
6 A heroine of the last war
7 The delight of a lawyer who sees his argument certain
8 If a woman has this civil right the man too obviously has his in a foreign country
11 A difficult problem perhaps
13 This fish may be an old inhabitant of Britain
17 "Holy tango" (anag.)
19 Country of S. America
20 23 down was the country of this musical composer
22 If a boat is this the sound of it cannot carry it away
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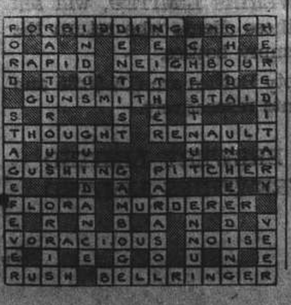

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Cloudy, fine and hot weather with easterly to south-easterly winds over Shantung, our regions and the Eastern Sea. Cyclonic rough weather to the east of the Loochoos, owing to the typhoon over the Pacific advancing north-westward. Local thunder in the Yangtze Valley.

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BIRTHS

PICKFORD—To ROSAMOND, née Giles, wife of H. L. Pickford, Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Bombay, on July 18, a son. 10719

ROACH—On August 12, 1941, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Ghita (Née Nevler) wife of Albert Henry Roach, a daughter, VIVIEN GLORIA.

KNOWLES—On August 12, 1941, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to FAINA, wife of Stanley S. Knowles, a daughter.

ENGAGEMENT

LE POOLE—LEGER—The engagement is announced of SAM CONSTANTYN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ch. Le Poole, of Heerlen, Holland, and CHRISTIANE MARIE-THERESE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Léger, of Shanghai. -1906

DEATH

WALLACE—On August 11, 1941, at San Francisco, California, RONALD HADDOW WALLACE, aged 46 years. The funeral will take place Wednesday, August 13, 1941, at the Cypress Lawn Cemetery, San Francisco. 10721

TO-DAY'S EVENTS

AUGUST

13 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30.
13 Sinkiang earthquake (1931)
13 Sino-Japanese hostilities opened, Shanghai; Yangtze blocked (1937)

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

15 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Norwegian Night, 9.30.
16 Aza Dance, Race Course, 9.
16 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Greek Night, 9.30.
18 Shanghai Cricket Club, Cinema Show 9.30.
20 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30
20 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', British Night, 9.30.
21 'XCDN Moonlight Follies', Russian Night, 9.30.
27 'The Trumpeter' XMHD, 8.30

SEPTEMBER

13 B.W.A. Fun Fair and Tennis Tournament, in aid Red Cross, Cathedral Girls' School, 3.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Swedish citizens ERJEN NYIL ERNST NEWMAN, bachelor, missionary, born on December 27, 1910 in the parish of Osby, province of Kristianstad, Sweden, now residing at Ting Yuan Ying, Ningsia, China, and OLGA AMALIA SUNDBERG, spinster, missionary, born on May 16, 1908 in the parish of Arvidsjaur, province of Norrbotten, Sweden, now residing at Ting Yuan Ying, Ningsia, China, intend to contract marriage, and that any just cause why they should not be joined in matrimony must be declared before the undersigned not later than September 5, 1941.

Shanghai in the Royal Swedish Consulate General, August 12, 1941.

MALTE PRIPP,
Acting Consul General. 10720

HARBOUR NOTIFICATION No. 3 of 1941

Shanghai Harbour:
Woosung District:
An anchor recovered.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a foreign made stock anchor has been recovered from the Whangpoo River at Pheasant Point opposite the Whangpoo Conservancy Board's dry dock at Woosung.

The anchor is now in the offices of Messrs. James Magill & Co., Ltd. where it may be inspected.

The anchor's marking is as follows:—
On stock—SW-115-KGS
On shank—BW-315-KGS
On fluke arm No. T356

If, on the expiry of 30 days from the date of this Notice, the anchor remains unclaimed and salvage on it unpaid, it becomes the property of the salvors.

P. TIRBAK,
Harbour Master.

Approved:
L. H. LAWFORD,
Commissioner of Customs.
Harbour Master's Office,
Shanghai, August 12, 1941. 10728

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NOTIFICATION No. 5522.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that with effect from September 1, 1941, until further notice, the undermentioned revised scale of charges will come into force for accommodation at pontoons on the Bund:—

(1) *Power Craft:*
$0.16 per ft. of overall length per hour for the first twenty-four hours.
$0.12 per ft. of overall length per hour thereafter.

(2) *Registered Steel Lighters:*
One cent per ton of registered tonnage capacity per hour or portion of one hour, minimum charge $2.00 per hour.

(3) *Wooden Lighters, Native Cargo or Passenger Boats, and Junks:*
(a) *Over 50 ft. overall length:*
$2.00 per hour or portion of one hour.
(b) *Not exceeding 50 ft. overall length:*
$1.20 per hour or portion of one hour.

Double the above fees will be charged when the allotted berthing period is exceeded or when the Bund Pontoon Accommodation Regulations and Conditions are infringed.

Power craft attending pontoons without cargo will not be assessed under the scale unless moored to a pontoon or to other craft so moored.

Passenger craft waiting at pontoons will be assessed at the full scale. These craft will be exempt from charges providing they leave the pontoons immediately their passengers have embarked or disembarked.

By order,
R. T. BRYAN, JR.,
for Secretary and Commissioner General.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, August 12, 1941. 10723

THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Rates of Freight from Shanghai to Straits ports will be increased as from 1.9.41.

Rates of Freight from Shanghai to Rangoon will be increased as from 15.8.41.

Particulars of the increases in question may be obtained from the undersigned.

BUTTERFIELD and SWIRE,
Agents,
The China Navigation Co. Ltd. 10710

NOTICE

SS. BENMACDHUI Shanghai cargo from U.K. Ports ex this vessel has been transhipped at Hongkong into the s.s. "HUNAN" which vessel has arrived at the China Navigation Co., Ltd's. French Bund Wharf. Endorsed original Bills of Lading should be sent in to the undersigned for exchange for D/Orders against the ss. "HUNAN".

Examination of damaged cargo will be held at the French Bund Wharf at 9.30 a.m. on Friday, August 15, 1941 when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance.

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THOS. UROE -1686

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NOTICE

The hoarding of Beer Bottles in Shanghai has allowed bottle speculators to have an entirely unwarranted influence on Beer prices in the local market.

In order to remove this influence, Consumers in their own interests, are earnestly requested to co-operate and assist the under-mentioned Breweries by returning empty bottles to their suppliers.

NOTICE IS THEREFORE GIVEN

that as from Monday, August 18, the UNION BREWERY LIMITED and EWO BREWERIES LIMITED, will sell Beer in Shanghai only to those clients who return the corresponding number of empty bottles.

The prices paid for empty Bottles are C.N.$0.35 and C.N.$0.23 for quarts and pints respectively.

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

China Coast Time, Greenwich+8 hours. (For summer time add 1 hour.)

Meteorological Reports	Aug. 11 16.00	Aug. 11 21.00	Aug. 12 4.00	Aug. 12 9.00
Barometer (inches)	29.61	29.66	29.66	29.71
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	0.00	+0.01	+0.02	+0.05
at 32 F. " " 12 hrs.)	−0.03	0.00	+0.05	+0.05
Wind (direction)	ESE	SE	SE	SE
" (miles per hour)	9.3	7.4	5.6	4.3
Temperature (Fahr.)	87.3°	81.7°	79.2°	83.8°
Humidity (per cent)	77	92	96	86
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	8	0	8	7
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Meteorological Report	Year 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean)	29.84	+0.02	29.87
Temperature (mean)	[illegible]	+1.3°	81.7°
Total rainfall January 1st to date (inches)	42.89	—	29.44

Time and Tide	13/8	14/8	15/8	16/8	17/8	18/8	19/8
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.17	5.18	5.19	5.19	5.20	5.20	5.21
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.39	18.38	18.36	18.37	18.36	18.35	18.34
Moon rises at Shanghai	22.17	22.54	23.33	—	0.16	1.00	1.49
Moon sets at Shanghai	10.39	11.33	12.25	13.16	14.08	14.58	15.47
Flood makes Shai. (day)	14.00	14.45	15.34	16.40	18.00	6.56	8.00
Ebb. makes Shai. (day)	7.10	7.40	8.18	9.00	10.10	11.48	12.53
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	15.51	16.28	17.18	6.00	7.44	8.55	9.55
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	9.90	8.78	7.56	6.90	6.65	7.00	8.48

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 11th:—Normal and steady pressure over China and Japan. Typhoon over the Pacific moving north-westward. Variable winds along the China Coast. Cloudy and hot weather.

State on the morning of the 12th:—Cloudy and very damp weather. South-easterly winds. Pressure rather low and steady.

TYPHOON SIGNAL

Typhoon signal: Approximate position of the centre, at 6 a.m., within 60 miles of latitude 23, longitude 135, direction west-north-west to north-west, intensity: unknown.—Siccawei Observatory.

CHART FOR LOCATING THE POSITION OF TYPHOONS FROM SICCAWEI REPORTS.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, August 13.	Reg.	Ord.
Tsingtao and Dairen	11.30	12.00
Hongkong and Canton	12.00	12.30
Amoy	12.30	13.00
Fukien Kiangsi Yunnan and Kweichow via Amoy	12.30	13.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
THURSDAY, August 14.		
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Honolulu U.S.A. Canada and Europe via Pacific	AX*20.00	8.00
Hongkong and Canton	12.30	13.00
Swatow	13.30	14.00
Aust. N.Z. Indo-China Manila S.S. Ceylon India and Suez (via Singapore)	BX17.00	18.30
Hongkong and Canton	18.00	18.30
Canada and Great Britain via Canada	CZ —	—
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. via Siberia	18.30	20.00
FRIDAY, August 15.		
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	13.30	14.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Hongkong and Canton	19.30	20.00

*The night before.
A Parcel mail for Honolulu and U.S.A., closes at 16.00 on 13th.
B Parcel mail for S.S. and F.M.S., closes at 16.00 on 14th.
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Canton-Hanoi-Saigon-Bangkok Air Mail

Air mails close on every Sunday and Wednesday at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary for transmission per Shanghai-Canton Air Line to connect with the aeroplane leaving Canton for Hanoi on every Wednesday, Friday and Saturday and for Saigon on every Monday and Bangkok on every Friday. The air mails may also be sent per available steamer to Canton via Hongkong.

Netherlands K.L.M. Air Mail Service (Batavia-Lydda) per steamer to Singapore on Aug. 14, at 5.30 p.m. for registered and at 6.30 p.m. for ordinary.

Domestic Air Mail

Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 1 p.m. and 10.30 p.m. at Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 12.30 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Hwaining Kiukiang and Hankow per Shanghai-Hankow Air Line daily at 10.30 p.m.

Ningsia, Shensi, Szechuen, Yunnan Kweichow; Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west to Hongkong for the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Peiping, Tientsin, Tsinan, Tungshan, Haichow, Kweiteh, Kalgan, Tatung, Kweisui, Paotow, Shanhaikwan Shihkiachwang, Changte, Kaifeng, Taiyuan, Yuncheng and Linfen by the planes of the China Airways Co. close daily at 10.30 p.m.

Tsingtao per Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen Air Line close at 10.30 p.m.

Canton, Swatow and Hoihow per Shanghai-Canton Air Line close at 10.30 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays.

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(Continued from yesterday)

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WANTED: Chinese office assistant, experienced in accounting, shipping coding, filing, etc. Reply stating previous experience and salary expected, to Box 1114, NCDN. -1849

WANTED office assistant, beginner, British preferred. State full particulars to Box 1138, NCDN.

WANTED. Experienced audit clerk, British preferred. Apply stating salary required to Box 1107, NCDN. 10706

YOUNG Englishman required preferably with knowledge of accounts. State salary required. Apply Box 1108, NCDN. 10706

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Positions Wanted

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MIDDLE-AGED Chinese, university graduate, over twelve years' experience, good reference, wants position as office accountant or assistant. Expect monthly salary including allowances around $300 (Shanghai currency). Kindly address Box 1012, NCDN. -1702

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